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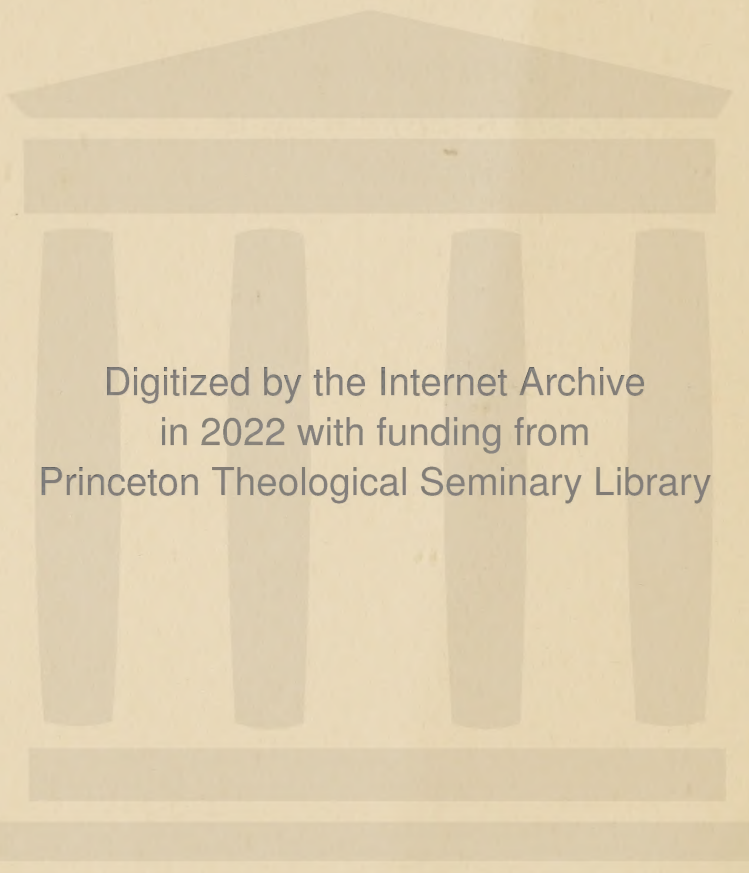
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TO

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SENIOR WARDEN OF ST. MICHAEL'S
CHURCH, APART FROM WHOSE DEEP
INTEREST IN THE SUBJECT, AND
GENEROUS ENCOURAGEMENT OF
THE AUTHOR, THIS BOOK WOULD
NOT HAVE BEEN UNDERTAKEN.

PREFACE

A HISTORY OF ST. MICHAEL'S CHURCH, TRENTON,
IN THE DIOCESE OF NEW JERSEY, *came about in this*
wise:

As one of a group of Trenton men who had agreed together to write a complete "History of Trenton," each being responsible for a certain portion of the work, the task fell to me to prepare the Religious Section. This required, among other things, a study into the origin and local history of the Episcopalians. For the first one hundred and fifty years that history was obviously concerned with St. Michael's Church.

Little or no direct material of a printed nature was found available. Dr. John Hall's excellent History of the Presbyterian Church in Trenton, published first in 1859, and subsequently revised and put forth in a second edition in 1912, contains many scattered references to St. Michael's Church and its people, but the information thus provided is meagre though sufficient to suggest that there was an unexplored mine of local wealth if it were possible to get access to the sources.

Through the courtesy of Chancellor Edwin Robert Walker, at whose instance Dr. Carlos E. Godfrey, director of the State Department of Public Record, had some years before made a complete research into the history of St. Michael's Church, I was placed in possession of the text of the Minutes of the Vestry running back to 1755, and also much other cognate material valuable to the historian. These records were in typewritten form and made a collection of several hundred pages. It was in perusing these records that their importance was recognized, an importance far beyond their mere local significance. It was thus the desire was born to share these riches with others.

For my immediate purpose, which required only a short sketch, the records were of course indispensable, but the material for a separate volume wherein the story could be told in all its rich detail was at hand.

The matter was brought to the attention of the senior warden of St. Michael's Church, Mr. Newton A. K. Bugbee, and his full

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interest and enthusiasm were aroused. I had already proceeded to make use of some of the material for my part of the projected "History of Trenton," and was encouraged to expand my labors and embody the same in a complete history of St. Michael's Church. The approval of the vestry was secured, and the publication of the Book officially authorized by that body.

St. Michael's, as one of the oldest colonial parishes in the country, with a corporate life going back to the very beginning of the eighteenth century, and located on the main highway between the two great cities, New York and Philadelphia, has experienced many vicissitudes of fortune, particularly during the period of the War of the Revolution. Overwhelmed by the storm which surged about it in those tempestuous days, when the armies of the Continentals and the British followed each other in quick succession in occupying the town, its leaders and congregation divided in their allegiance—loyalists and patriots—the Parish bowed its head for a season and sought a temporary oblivion. When calmer times came, and animosities had somewhat abated, it rose again from its long sleep and courageously faced the future. Although dark days abounded both then and later, and though at times the Parish seemed about to perish and yield up its feeble life, God raised up a faithful remnant of devoted men and women who clung passionately to their heritage and made great sacrifices to preserve it. The record is a long and a noble one, and the sequel amply proves the truth of the old adage, "Where there's a will, there's a way."

"The story of St. Michael's Church must be told for the encouragement of those who shall come after us and who in their turn must take up the burden when we have to lay it down," was the dictum of the man to whom this Book is inscribed.

Such is the primary object of the Book, and that in itself is a sufficient justification for its publication. But it is believed that the Book will also have a wider appeal. To those interested in local history, who like to know something of the men who lived and moved and had their being here in former days, and who, among their other recognized duties and obligations, concerned themselves with the affairs of religion, and particularly with the parish church to which they belonged, the side-light which these records shed upon their personalities and characters will be welcome. From many an insignificant item or resolution gleaned from the Minutes there will emerge

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perhaps some bit of information on matters that are of interest to the individual, or the community. How eagerly many of us welcome the least scrap of knowledge concerning persons or events with whom, or which, we feel ourselves to have some associations! Hence, if many of the items printed seem trivial to the majority of readers, here and there someone, perhaps, will be grateful that such have been recorded. In any event, in the words of Macaulay, "I shall cheerfully bear the reproach of having descended below the dignity of history."

Then, too, the history of this old church will doubtless be read by some who have no connection with the parish or the city, but who will be moved to peruse the same as furnishing a useful footnote to the larger history of the Church in this diocese and in the country at large.

The aim has been to include in the Book matters properly cognate to its main purpose, thereby linking it up with wider interests in the Church and in the State.

In telling the story of St. Michael's Church, the aim has been, so far as possible, to let the documents speak for themselves, with only such words of comment as seemed to be necessary to enable the reader to understand the drift of events. Current accounts from local newspapers have been printed wherever they were available to elucidate the narrative and as affording the contemporary atmosphere, which the pen of the annalist could not reproduce. The biographical sketches are taken mainly from approved sources, and usually the exact language is employed, though often abridged, and sometimes expanded.

Perhaps the most valuable section of the work is that which contains the lists of names, and the records transcribed from the Parish Register. The utmost care has been taken to verify the names and dates in order to render the same useful for genealogical purposes.

The records are of course incomplete because those who had charge of them from time to time were often careless, or did not recognize the importance of preserving the statistics, and of making full and accurate entries. In every case the entry has been given exactly as it appears without addition or omission. Doubtless errors may have crept in: "Errare est humanum."

The author makes no claim for any originality in his part of the work. He has been content to tell a plain tale as the documents have told it to him. He has, of course, drawn certain inferences, which

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can be taken for what they may be worth, but he has meant to make no statement of importance which was not buttressed by ample evidence.

The labor has been one of love. Undertaken in the first place in pursuance of an accepted obligation, the record was followed up and completed out of a sense of the local importance and significance which his studies had revealed.

The annalist, having himself roots in New Jersey soil of over two centuries and being moreover a Trenton churchman and rector of an elder daughter of St. Michael's, has keenly appreciated the privileges afforded by his studies into these "memorials of the past," whereby also he has been able in a literal sense to obey the scriptural injunction, "Look unto the rock whence ye are hewn and the hole of the pit whence ye are digged."

HAMILTON SCHUYLER

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RESOLUTION OF THE VESTRY AUTHORIZING THE PUBLICATION
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"The vestry of St. Michael's Church, having been given to understand that the Rev. Hamilton Schuyler, in conjunction with a projected history of Trenton, has accumulated much material relative to the history of St. Michael's parish, do hereby request him to prepare a full history of the said parish and do also authorize the publication of same under the advice and sanction of the senior warden, Mr. Newton A. K. Bugbee."

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

HAVING received his commission from the vestry of St. Michael's Church to prepare a history of the Parish the annalist was then generously left free to do the work in his own way, and to make such use of the official records and other material as his sole judgment might dictate. The Book, therefore, while owing much to the suggestions and criticisms, of others, as solicited by the author, represents an undivided responsibility.

Mr. John J. Cleary of the Editorial Staff of *The Trenton Times*, whose knowledge of local history and characters is extensive, and accurate, and Professor William Starr Myers of Princeton University, have rendered exceptional service in reading the proofs. Dr. Carlos E. Godfrey, director of the State Department of Public Record, in addition to his original researches upon which the Book is based, has furnished important documents and made many valuable suggestions. He has also read the manuscript of the earlier biographical sketches and indicated certain corrections and additions besides contributing valuable notes. Dr. Edwin H. Ginneley has supplied the material relating to the Masonic Order, and has been helpful in furnishing information for several sketches. Mrs. Edwin H. Ginneley and Mrs. Paul Traub have collected the information as to the gifts and memorials made to the parish. The Rev. Samuel Steinmetz has generously lent his aid in many ways. Miss Catherine A. Brokaw has furnished and typed the record of the delegates to the diocesan conventions, and the laborious task of transcribing and typing the entries from the Parish Register has been generously performed by Mrs. Martha J. Piper. To Mr. Howard L. Hughes and the staff of the Trenton Free Public Library the author is under obligation for the use of needful books and pamphlets. Miss M. Margaret Kehl of the Technical Department of the Public Library has made the General Index and verified the Bibliography. To persons too numerous to mention, the author is indebted for help in preparing the biographical sketches and for the loan of photographs and pictures.

To the extent that errors and omissions great or small may

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hereafter come to light, the author must justly bear the undistributed blame while whatever of value and completeness there may be must be duly apportioned among those who have so graciously united to lend him their aid.

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CHAPTER I

INTRODUCTION

THE oldest and most venerable of the institutions which have their place in our common life are usually ecclesiastical. This is due to the fact that the instinct to provide for spiritual needs is a primary one and is exercised immediately following the permanent settlement of any new community. When men have arranged for their pressing material necessities, shelter and food, the next thought is to organize their religious life and to erect as soon as possible a suitable building where they may meet to worship God according to the traditions which they have inherited from their fathers.

In the settlement of this country this common procedure prevailed and hence in the various Colonial towns and villages strung along the Atlantic seaboard, almost without exception, there will be found church organizations whose origin closely synchronizes with the beginnings of the community. Trenton is no exception to this rule and thus we find here as elsewhere the evidence of this universal religious instinct.

RELIGIOUS AFFILIATIONS OF FIRST SETTLERS

Those who first settled in these parts were Quakers, followed closely by members of the Church of England and of the Presbyterian body. All of these, as soon as conditions permitted, proceeded to organize societies which have endured to our own day and whose presence and influence through the subsequent years of their existence have been potent in the community and have proved themselves beneficent factors in the upbuilding and development of the place.

The Friends' Meeting, St. Michael's Parish and the First Presbyterian Congregation, all had their beginnings in the early days of the eighteenth century, and hence all alike have now exceeded a term of two hundred years of corporate existence.

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CONDITIONS POLITICAL AND ECCLESIASTICAL

The times were troublous ones in church and state, following in the wake of the great religious upheaval of the sixteenth century, and synchronizing closely with the English Political Revolution of 1688. The fires of religious persecution had then hardly ceased to glow and the Established Church was still intent upon exacting, at least a measure of conformity, from those who dissented from its teaching and practice. If the Quakers and other dissenting settlers were not impelled to emigrate from their homes on account of actual physical persecution, at least they suffered from the memory of it, and in any event they incurred in England certain political, social and religious disabilities. In coming hither they hoped not only to enjoy full religious liberty, but also to improve their material conditions. In both of these respects they were successful. Without civil interference they set up their respective ecclesiastical organizations and proceeded to practise their religion according to the dictates of their conscience.

RELIGIOUS LIBERTY GRANTED

That the exercise of full religious liberty, except in the single case of the Roman Catholics, was granted by the Crown to settlers in the Jerseys, is evident from the "Instructions" given by Queen Anne in 1702 to Lord Cornbury, captain-general and governor-in-chief of New Jersey. The special clause reads as follows:

You are to permit a liberty of conscience to all persons (except papists) so that they may be contented with a great and peaceable enjoyment of the same, not giving offence or scandal to the government. (Smith, *History of New Jersey*, p. 246, paragraph 51 of "Instructions").

The denial of a like religious liberty to the Roman Catholics was plainly owing to the political reaction to the Jacobite plots from the fear of which the British government of that day was suffering.

But if, in the main, religious liberty was accorded to the colonists, officers of the government and members of the assembly

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were bound by test acts and, in the case of Quakers and others whose conscience forbade them to take an oath, such were compelled to make certain solemn declarations.

At the session of the West Jersey assembly of May 16, 1696, a bill was passed requiring officials who were not free to take an oath to sign a declaration of loyalty to the British Crown, and a repudiation of papal claims, also a profession of the orthodox Christian faith, and a belief in the divine inspiration of the Holy Scriptures.

MORAL CONDITIONS

That the religious and moral conditions among the Colonists of those days were far from being satisfactory is amply evident from the bitter complaints and jeremiads of ministers and others.

In the *Digest of the Records of the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel* (Fifth Edition, p. 52), there is a communication to the Society under date of 1701 by Colonel Lewis Morris, subsequently governor of the province, in which he reports that "the youth of the whole Province of East Jersey were very debauch'd and very ignorant and the Sabbath Day seems there to be set apart for Ryotting and Drunkenness." In a word "the General Ignorance and immorality runs through the whole Province." Of West Jersey he says: "The people were generally speaking a hotch potch of all religions, but the Quakers appeared to be the only body possessing places of worship. The Youth of this Province also were very debauched . . . and very ignorant."

At the beginning of the eighteenth century, the population of the two provinces numbered about 11,000, and, according to the Rev. George Keith, "except two or three towns, there was no face of any public worship of any sort," but "people lived very mean like Indians."

In September 1703, the Rev. John Talbot, a minister of the Church of England settled in Burlington, writes to the Society:

It is a sad thing to consider the years that are past; how some that were born of the English, never heard of the name of Christ, how many others were baptized in his name and fallen away to Heathenism, Quakerism, and Atheism for want of confirmation (Hills, *Hist. Ch. in Burlington*, p. 41).

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Doubtless the lack of the restraining influences of a settled religious order and the scattered character of the population together with the difficulties of finding proper instructors for the young, tended to produce a decided moral laxity. All pioneer communities suffer from a measure of lawlessness. But whether public morals were in so parlous a state as the official censors depict may be doubted, since the tendency among those charged with the guardianship of religion and morality is always to paint present conditions in lurid colors. Such a tendency exists among ourselves today and has equally characterized all ages since the times of the Hebrew prophets.

BITTER THEOLOGICAL PARTISANSHIP

The eighteenth century was an age of violent religious prejudice and theological partisanship, and each group was disposed to regard the others as steeped in false doctrine, viciousness of life, and in short as constituting a veritable "synagogue of Satan."

To furnish some examples of the *odium theologicum*: the Rev. John Talbot writes in 1702, regarding his friend and associate, the Rev. George Keith:

He is the fittest man that ever came over for this province, he is a well-study'd divine, a good philosopher and Preacher but above all an excellent Disputant especially against the Quakers who used to challenge all mankind formerly. Now all the Friends (or enemies rather) are not able to answer one George Keith; he knows the Depths of Satan within them and all the Doublings and Windings of the "Snake in the Grass." In short he has become the best Champion against all Dissenters that the Church ever had and he's sett up such a Light in their Dark places that by God's blessing will not be putt out. (Hills, *Hist. Ch. in Burlington*, pp. 27-8.)

Writing again in 1703 regarding the Quakers, whom he evidently regarded as the special enemies of true religion, Talbot declares:

The Quakers compass sea and land to make proselytes; they send out yearly a parcel of vagabond Fellows that ought to be taken up and put in Bedlam rather than suffer to go about raving and railing against the Laws and Orders of Christ and

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His Church and for why? Their preaching is of cursing and Lyes, poysoning the souls of the people with damnable errors and heresies . . . (*ibid.*, p. 43).

Nor were the Quakers less tolerant or courteous towards their opponents. In the title page of one of their books they thus express the abhorrence they felt toward their former associate George Keith:

The Apostate convicted . . . in which his apostacy from the Truth and enmity against it is manifested, his Deceits, Hypocricie and manifold prevarications are discovered, his false Quotations, Lyes and Forgeries out of the Quaker Books are detected, etc. (Rufus M. Jones, *Quakers in the American Colonies*, p. 449).

AN EPISTLE OF THE FIRST QUAKER SETTLER

The following excerpts from a letter written in 1680 from the Falls of the Delaware by Mahlon Stacy, the original of which is in possession of the New Jersey Historical Society, may not inappropriately be introduced here as furnishing an example of the quaint phraseology and perfervid piety characteristic of the Quakers of that early period. Stacy's naïve rejoicing over "His Removing of the Heathen that Know Him not and making Room for a better People that fears His Name . . . how the Indians are wasted in Two Years Time . . . and how the English are encreased both in Cattle and Corn," certainly furnishes a delectable commentary on the saying "Blessed are the meek for they shall inherit the earth."

Mahlon Stacy's letter to George Hutcheson. From the Falls of Delaware in New Jersey, the 12th of the 6th month, 1680:

Dear Friend, Thine of the 23d, 11th Month, 1679, I have Received with great Gladness and Acceptations, as a Token of thy endeared Love and Care, with thy tender Desires for us, and grave Counsel to us: all which I dearly accept of, knowing it was the Flowings-forth of a Soul Fil'd with Love to the Heritage of God in these Parts. For the watering of whom God has fil'd the Hearts of His Servants with His pure Love, precious Life, and Streams of Living Refreshment, for the Comforting of Jacob in his Travels and Tryals, and for the Gladding of Israel in the Day of Exercise. So, although we are separated as

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to the Outward, (a little Scattering as I may say) yet the God of Life abounds in His Love to His little Flock, dayly extending His Peace (as a River) to His Remnant; And is determined, of a small Number, to make a Great and Strong Nation: And this I plainly saw before I left my Native Country; And the Lord is Mightily bringing it to pass, in His Removing the Heathen that know Him not, and making Room for a better People, that fears His Name. 'Tis hardly credible to believe, how the Indians are wasted in Two years Time; and especially the last Summer: and how the English are encreased both in Cattle and Corn, in a little time.

Things go exceeding well with Friends, since they were settled, and our Meetings are duely Kept. The Lord our God is with us, and the Shout of a King is amongst us, Glory, Glory, to the Lord our God for ever! I perceive you have strange Reports concerning Us, and our Country; yet our Condition is far otherwise than is represented unto you: for our Land yields its Strength to us in a plentiful manner and we enjoy Fulness of Good Things; the greatest want is that of our Friends; yet the Lord is adding to our Number greatly; and in a short Time, this Place will be Populated. . . .

(See, for other letters of Mahlon Stacy, Smith, *History of New Jersey*, pp. 111-13.)

HARSHNESS OF THE PENAL CODE

Manners were coarse and the penal laws cruel; slavery was accepted as a divine institution; intemperance was rife, even in the highest quarters, and the relations of the sexes were often irregular, as is commonly the case in new and rude communities.

The penal laws in the Jerseys reflect the harsh sentiments of the times.

The laws of the provincial legislature, 1668-1700, provided the death penalty in the case of perjury, kidnapping, witchcraft and for cursing father or mother. For burglary and robbery, the penalty for the first offence was thirty-nine lashes, for a second conviction, branding upon the forehead with the letter "T," and for the third branding upon the cheek with the letter "T," together with twelve months' imprisonment at hard labor and thirty-nine lashes administered monthly. After nine o'clock at night those found abroad or in tap houses, except upon their

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lawful business, or who could not give a good account of themselves to the magistrate, were to be punished at the discretion of the Court. For profaning the Lord's Day, punishment was by fine or imprisonment. Any person found to be drunk was fined one shilling for the first time, two shillings for the second and for every time after two shillings and six pence. Such as could not pay were condemned to receive corporal punishment, and if unruly and disturbers of the peace, were placed in the stocks until they were sober or released by the officer.

Such were some of the conditions, moral, religious and penal, which prevailed in the days when the first settlers came to these parts, and essayed to take up land and build themselves homes.

QUEEN ANNE'S INTEREST IN THE COLONIAL CHURCH

That "Good Queen Anne" took a deep interest in the welfare of the Church of England in the American Colonies, is evident from the detailed "Instructions" regarding the church and its ministers which she gave in 1702 to the governor, Lord Cornbury.

69. You shall take especial care, that God Almighty be devoutly and duly served throughout your Government. The book of common prayer as by law established, read each Sunday and Holy Day, and the Blessed Sacrament administered according to the rites of the Church of England.

70. You shall be careful that the Churches already built there, be well and orderly kept, and that more be built, as the Colony shall by God's blessing be improved; and that besides a competent maintenance to be assigned to the minister of each orthodox Church, a convenient house be built at the common charge for each minister, and a competent proportion of land assigned to him, for a glebe and exercise of his industry.

72. You are not to prefer any minister to any ecclesiastical benefice in that our province, without a certificate from the Right Reverend father in God, the Lord bishop of London, of his being conformable to the doctrine and discipline of the Church of England, and of a good life and conversation; And if any person already prefer'd to a benefice shall appear to you to give scandal either by his doctrine or manners, you are to use the best means for the removal of him and to supply the vacancy in such manner as we have directed.

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74. You are to enquire whether there be any minister within your government, who preaches and administers the sacraments in any orthodox Church or chapel, without being in due orders, and to give account thereof to the said Lord Bishop of London.

76. And you are to take special care, that a table of marriages established by the canons of the Church of England, be hung up in every orthodox Church, and duly observed, and you are to endeavour to get a law passed in the assembly of our said province (if not already done) for the strict observation of the said table. (Smith, *History of New Jersey*, pp. 252, 253.)

CHAPTER II

THE SETTLEMENT AT THE FALLS OF DELAWARE

1779

MAHLON STACY—WILLIAM TRENT

THE settlement of Burlington preceded that of Trenton, and for a long time it remained a larger and more important place.

The *Shield* from Hull, the first ship that brought colonists to this section of New Jersey, arrived in Burlington in 1678. These colonists belonged to the Society of Friends, and two of their number, Thomas Lambert and Mahlon Stacy, in 1679, took up land in territory which was subsequently included within the bounds of the city of Trenton. Lambert settled in Nottingham, below the Falls of the Delaware ("Ye ffalles of ye De La War") which included the districts afterwards known as Bloomsbury and Lamberton, and Stacy settled to the south of the Assanpink Creek adjacent to the Falls where he built a grist mill (1680) presumably to serve a population which then or shortly afterwards began to settle in the neighborhood.

. . . Mahlon Stacy, who came over with the first emigrants, made a large survey on both sides of the Assanpink Creek at this place (Trenton), and erected a corn mill thereon. A Friends' Meeting was established, and the buildings erected thereabout soon began to assume the proportions of a town. In 1714, Mahlon Stacy, son of Mahlon who deceased in 1703, sold this property, which his father called "Ballifield," to William Trent, from whom the present name of the city was derived; previous to this sale, however, considerable of the land had been purchased in small parcels, whereon to erect dwellings. (Clement, *Sketches of First Emigrant Settlers in Newton Township*, p. 228.)

A recent research undertaken at the instance of Chancellor Edwin Robert Walker, himself a descendant of Mahlon Stacy, proves that the original holdings of Stacy were much more extensive than the 800 acres purchased by William Trent of Mahlon Stacy, Jr.

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Mahlon Stacy, of Hansworth, Yorkshire, England, prior to coming to America in 1678, acquired from the Proprietors of West New Jersey an interest in lands in that Colony, and had surveyed and set off to him by metes and bounds a tract of about 2000 acres of land at The Falls of the Delaware, lying on



ARMS OF THE STACYES OF
"BALLIFIELD"

(FOR DESCRIPTION SEE *Ely, Russell and Stacyes
Families*, p. 123)

COURTESY OF CHANCELLOR EDWIN ROBERT WALKER

both sides of Assanpink Creek. The extent and boundaries of this tract are delineated upon a map of Mahlon Stacy's lands made and platted by the late John T. Temple, counsellor-at-law, who gave particular attention to the law of land titles, a map of which appeared in the *Trenton Evening Times*, Wednesday, April 30, 1913. Out of this tract of some 2000 acres, Mahlon Stacy, the younger, who was his father's heir-at-law and devisee, conveyed to William Trent 800 acres on August 18, 1714. This tract (Stacy to Trent) was surveyed by William Emley, and the plat and descrip-

tion are recorded in Bass's *Book of Surveys* in the office of the Secretary of State. As shown on the plat of the 800 acres surveyed by Emley in 1714, the mill and seventeen houses are indicated.—E. R. W.

Field, *Provincial Courts of New Jersey* (pp. 105-6), contains this reference to the purchase by William Trent, of the Stacy lands:

William Trent a native of Inverness, Scotland, who purchased a plantation of 800 acres on both sides of the Assanpink, N.J. whither he removed; a town was laid out on his estate, which

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in his honor was called Trents Town . . . now the capital of New Jersey. It was, however, at the death of the Chief Justice, a town only in name, containing as it did but two or three houses.

It is certain that Field was mistaken in asserting that at the death of Trent (1724) there were then only "two or three houses" in the place which was previously known as "Trent's Town." His own house was a substantial mansion, still standing today, and it is wholly improbable that the place would have been called a "town" unless there were a considerable settlement already established in the neighborhood. (See "Bloomsbury Court," Appendix I: 6.)

WILLIAM TRENT

Smith, *History of New Jersey* (p. 419), has the following note regarding William Trent:

December 29 (25) this year (1724) died William Trent, Esq., Chief Justice of New Jersey. He was several years member, and part of the time speaker of the Assembly; and being a large trader at Trenton, when that place was laid out as a town, it from him took its name, being before significantly called Little-Worth: He had been also speaker of the Assembly of Pennsylvania; he bore the character of a gentleman.

Keasbey, *Courts and Lawyers of New Jersey* (Vol. 1, p. 275) contains the following sketch of William Trent:



ARMS BORNE BY WILLIAM TRENT
(SEE APPENDIX I: 2)
COURTESY OF HUGH B. ROSSELL, ESQ.

The new Chief Justice was a native of Inverness, in Scotland, and came from there with his brother, James, and settled in Philadelphia. The house he occupied had been the city residence

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of William Penn and his family and was afterwards a celebrated boarding-house when John Adams and other members of the Congress of the United States lodged there. Trent was for many years a Judge of the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania and Speaker of the Assembly of New Jersey. He was not a lawyer, but was a man of business habits, of strong sense and strict integrity.

He purchased, in 1714, 800 acres of Mahlon Stacy, on both sides of the Assanpink, where the cities of Trenton and South Trenton now stand. He went there to live, and in 1721 he was chosen a Member of the Assembly from Burlington County. He was made Speaker in 1723 and was appointed Chief Justice in November of that year, and took his seat in the following March, but died suddenly of apoplexy on the 24th of the next December.

Governor Burnet, shortly after his appointment, wrote to the Lords of Trade, saying, "The present Chief Justice, Mr. William Trent, is universally beloved, as your Lordships may observe by his being chosen their Speaker, and I doubt not will answer my expectations in executing the office." (5 N.J. Archives, 77)

William Trent was a devoted member of the Church of England. He was originally associated with Christ Church, Philadelphia, and a vestryman of the same, 1717-1720. He was also particularly interested in the church at Burlington. The Rev. John Talbot, the S. P. G. missionary in charge of that church, mentions Trent in his letters to the Society's secretary. William Trent and Daniel Coxe join in a letter to the secretary of the Society under date "Trenton 20th Sept. 1723" detailing what they had done in the way of complying with the Society's request, "relating to the repairs necessary to be done to their house and Gardens at Burlington and keeping up all the fences round them, the orchard etc." (Hills, *Hist. Ch. in Burlington*, p. 172)

In a letter to the secretary of the S. P. G., Talbot writes concerning this matter:

*Mr. Talbot to the Secretary.
Philadelphia, 9th December, 1723.*

Col. Coxe and Mr. Trent have done their part towards the Society's house at Burlington. They have put it all in good order both within and without. (Hills, *Hist. Ch. in Burlington*, p. 177.)

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Trent's name appears in the list of the church's "Benefactors at Philadelphia & strangers" who (1705) contributed to the parish needs, "Wm. Trent—£5" (*ibid.*, p. 216).

(For extended sketch of William Trent see Appendix I: 1.)

EARLY GEOGRAPHICAL DIVISIONS

For the clear understanding of early church history in these parts, it is necessary to recall the geographical divisions which then obtained. The territory lying north of the Assanpink creek was originally a part of Burlington county, but in March 1714 was constituted the county of Hunterdon, which reached from the Assanpink on its northern bank to the limits of West Jersey. Within this county there were two adjacent townships, Hopewell and Maidenhead. Hopewell township then included the settlement of Trenton lying to the north of the Assanpink Creek, and the territory subsequently set apart as the township of Ewing.

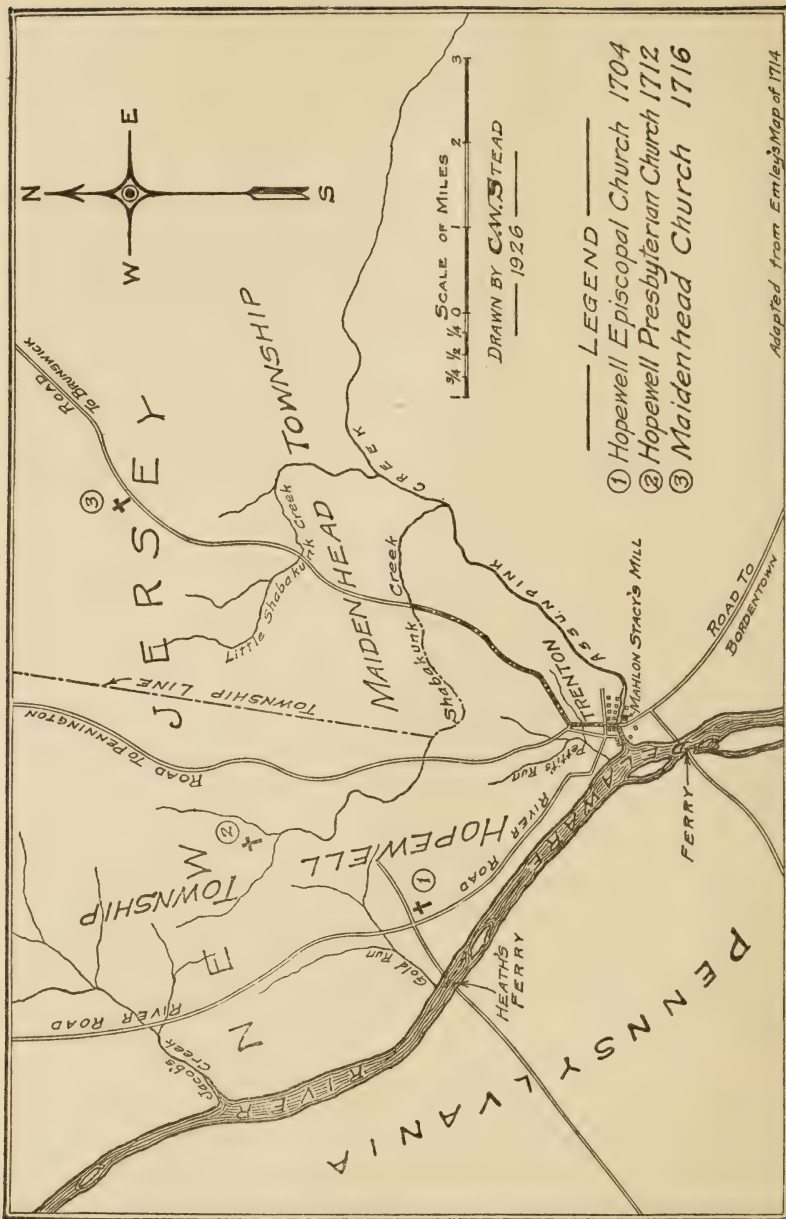
The township of Trenton was formed about 1719 out of a portion of the township of Hopewell. Lawrence township was originally the township of Maidenhead, its name being changed to Lawrence in 1816. The township of Ewing was formed out of the township of Trenton in 1834. The township of Nottingham lying to the south of the Assanpink Creek, originally in Burlington County, was divided, a portion in 1842 being set off under the name of Hamilton township and the remainder in 1856 being annexed to Trenton.

Mercer county was erected February 22, 1838, from the townships of Ewing, Hopewell, Lawrence and Trenton, in Hunterdon county; the township of Nottingham, in Burlington county, and the townships of East and West Windsor, in Middlesex county.

The map on the following page will serve to illustrate the early topographical conditions.

THE HOPEWELL EPISCOPAL CHURCH

References hereafter will be continually made to the "Hopewell Church," by which is to be understood the church building, which in or about 1704, was erected on a site then in the township of Hopewell and today within the boundaries of the present Ewing township, on the property now known as the "Breese



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farm." The church building, long since vanished, belonged to the Church of England settlers in this vicinity, and should not be confused with the "log church" belonging to the Presbyterians, which was built about 1712, also then in the Township of Hopewell, and to be identified today with the Ewing Presbyterian Church.

It has been demonstrated from a study of early documents that the belief, long popularly entertained, to the effect that the Hopewell church building of 1704 was in the nature of a union enterprise, in which the Presbyterians equally participated with the Episcopalians, was an erroneous one, and that the honor of erecting the first Christian church in this vicinity belonged exclusively to the Episcopalians, and represented the beginnings of what afterwards became St. Michael's Parish.

The documentary evidence establishing this statement is ample and convincing, and will be submitted in the following chapter. Suffice it to say here, that the legal right of the Church of England people to the sole possession of this property was never disputed, and in 1838 St. Michael's Parish sold the ground, reserving to itself only a small portion, which had been used as an early burying place. Thus St. Michael's Church would have been justified in observing its two-hundredth anniversary in 1903, since the congregation is the lineal descendant of the one to which the property was deeded in 1703.

THE MAIDENHEAD GRANT

The earliest evidence of any intention to provide land for religious use, in either of the townships, is found in a deed of March 1698, by which Jeremiah Bass, governor of East and West Jersey, and Thomas Revell "Agents for the Honorable and West Jersey Society in England" conveyed one hundred acres of land in the township of Maidenhead to certain inhabitants thereof "for the erecting of a meeting-house, and for a burying ground and school-house." (Recorded in Book B, No. 2, page 655, Secretary's Office, State House, Trenton. See Maidenhead, *Town Lot*, Chapter VIII.)

There is no evidence to show that any church building was erected on this property or elsewhere in the township of Maidenhead (now Lawrenceville) much previous to 1716, or to what

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religious body the property thus deeded originally belonged, though there is some intimation that for a season at least its benefits were shared in common both by the Church of England residents and the Presbyterians.

Talbot and other early missionaries of the Church of England appear freely to have used the Maidenhead church for occasional services, though subsequently it came to be regarded as the exclusive property of the Presbyterians.

There is a map in Humphrey's *Historical Account of the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel* (1730), of the eastern seaboard of America, with a + indicating where missionaries of the Society ministered. Hopewell and Maidenhead are thus marked.

THE PRESBYTERIANS

The Presbyterians of Trenton properly reckon their foundation from 1712, when a "log church" was built in that portion of the township of Hopewell which was subsequently constituted as the township of Ewing.

The following is an account of the origin of the Hopewell (Ewing) Presbyterian Church, taken from Hall's *History of the Presbyterian Church in Trenton*, (p. 18):

In less than six years from Hutchinson's deed to Heath and others, the Hopewell Presbyterians took measures for the erection of a church for themselves, within three miles of the one just described. This was the beginning of the congregation, which after the foundation of the township of Trenton (1719-20) was called the "Trenton First Church": but which now takes the name of the new township of Ewing. The original deed was dated March 9, 1709 and conveyed two acres of land from Alexander Lockart a Scotchman to

The location of a Presbyterian church in Trenton proper was due to the need of providing an accessible place of worship for those who lived in or near the village, but who were compelled to attend services, either in the Hopewell (Ewing) church or in the Maidenhead (Lawrenceville) church.

Thus out of these two congregations was formed a third, which in or about the year 1726 erected a building on the site where the First Presbyterian Church now stands. This church properly celebrated its two-hundredth anniversary in 1912, since

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its existence as a congregation goes back at least to the building of the "log church" in Hopewell (Ewing) in 1712.

THE CHESTERFIELD FRIENDS' MEETING

The Burlington Friends' Meeting was organized in 1678, and a meeting house was completed in 1691. The Burlington meeting was the parent body of the other meetings, which soon spread over this section. As early as 1679 informal meetings for worship began to be held near the Falls of the Delaware in the house of Thomas Lambert, which a year later became an organized meeting. In 1684 the Chesterfield Monthly Meeting was formed, with which the Quakers in this vicinity were associated. The minutes of the meeting begin September 2, 1684, but it was not until 1739 that the present meeting house was erected at Hanover and Montgomery Streets. This building is the oldest house of worship now existing in the City of Trenton. Of the two Friends' Meetings the one subsequently known as "Hicksite" occupies today the old building while the orthodox body since 1858 has had its place of worship in Mercer Street.

OTHER RELIGIOUS BODIES

THE METHODISTS

The Methodists date their organized existence in Trenton from the year 1772 when a congregation was formed and a subscription paper circulated for the purpose of raising funds for the erection of a church building. A lot was purchased at Broad and Academy streets on which a frame building was erected a year later in 1773. In 1922, the First Methodist Episcopal Church observed its sesquicentennial. The claim is made that this church is the oldest Methodist organization in the state and the third oldest in the country, being antedated only by the John Street Church in New York City and St. George's Church, Philadelphia. (See pamphlet, *The First Methodist Episcopal Church of New Jersey*, Trenton, 1922.)

THE BAPTISTS

The first regular services for the Baptists of Trenton date from 1787 and in 1801 a plot of ground was given for the erection of a

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Baptist meeting house, which seems to have been completed the following year. This church was afterwards known as the First Baptist Church and still occupies its original location on Center Street. (See pamphlet, *The Baptists of Trenton* 1867.)

THE ROMAN CATHOLICS

The Roman Catholics seem to have had a scattering congregation here as early as 1799 and possibly occasional services were held earlier. From the beginning of the century regular ministrations appear to have been provided though it was not until 1814 that a church building was erected at the corner of Market and Lamberton Streets and given the name "Chapel of St. John the Baptist," at the time said to be the only church of that body between Philadelphia and New York. (See pamphlet, *A Century of Catholicity in Trenton, N.J.*, 1900.)

The above-mentioned bodies comprise those which were represented in Trenton at the beginning of the nineteenth century.

Other bodies which have established themselves here since are the German Lutheran which was incorporated in 1856; the Evangelical Lutheran, 1869; and the first Hebrew Synagogue, 1866, of which the present Temple Har Sinai is the continuation. This congregation first occupied quarters in a building in Montgomery Street near Academy.

RECENT RELIGIOUS DEVELOPMENTS

As the foreign population of Trenton has grown and become more diversified there has been a corresponding increase in religious denominations hitherto unrepresented. Thus there are now established in this community Greek Orthodox and Greek Uniate congregations; German, Italian, Slavonic, Hungarian and Polish Catholics; an Italian-Presbyterian; a Hungarian-Baptist and an Episcopal body; representatives of Orthodox and Liberal Jewish Congregations. There are congregations of colored people, Baptists, Methodists and Episcopalians. Of these Mount Zion Baptist seems to have had an existence here as early as 1815. There was a former burying ground for the colored race about where the Y.W.C.A. building stands on Academy Street and in excavating for the foundations some few years ago several skeletons were unearthed. There are besides Christian

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Science, Unitarian, and Spiritualist congregations, the Salvation Army, and several others which come under no general classification. In short, Trenton today is supplied with almost all the varieties of religious belief and practice which prevail in most of our large eastern cities.

CHAPTER III

THE BEGINNINGS OF THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH IN HOPEWELL TOWNSHIP

1703

THE Episcopal Church in the American colonies, at least in the northern portion, owes its existence and extension mainly if not exclusively to the initiative taken by "The Society for the Propagation of the Gospel in Foreign Parts." This Society, familiarly known by the initials S. P. G. or simply "The Venerable Society," was incorporated in London in 1701 and had grown out of the representations made by the Rev. Dr. Thomas Bray, commissary of Maryland, in his *Memorial on the State of the Church*, wherein he showed the necessity of providing missionaries in the interests of colonists belonging to the Church of England. Well up to the period of the Revolutionary War the majority of the clergy, at least in the northern colonies, were furnished and sent out by this Society and the correspondence of these with the home office supplies most of the information we possess regarding the religious conditions of those early times.

THE FIRST MISSIONARIES

At what date services according to the rites of the Church of England were first held in this immediate vicinity cannot be precisely determined. Members of that body seem to have been present in the neighborhood shortly after the coming of Mahlon Stacy and possibly earlier, though there is no trace of the existence of any organized congregation in all New Jersey until it became a single province by the union of East and West Jersey under Queen Anne in 1702.

George Keith, who had been educated for the Scotch-Presbyterian ministry, but afterwards became a Quaker preacher of high repute in that body serving both at home and in the American colonies, returned to England in 1694 and received Orders in the Church of England in 1700. Subsequently he became the

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first missionary of the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel in the American colonies. He prepared a memorial to the Society in the course of which he makes the following statement:

There is not one Church of England as yet in either West or East Jersey, the more is the pity; and except in Two or Three Towns there is no face of any public worship of any sort, but People live very mean like Indians. (Hills, *Hist. Cb. in Burlington*, p. 19.)

In 1702 as agents of the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel, George Keith, accompanied by John Talbot, visited New Jersey. Keith preached first in Amboy in October 1702 and afterwards in other towns of East Jersey as also in the town-hall at Burlington in West Jersey. Previous to that time there are traces of ministrations by the Rev. Alexander Iness and the Rev. Evan Evans, and occasional services had from time to time been held at Burlington by visiting clergymen from New York and Philadelphia.

THE CHURCH IN BURLINGTON

In 1702 the Church of England people in Burlington proceeded to organize a congregation and collect subscriptions for a building, and the corner-stone of a church was laid by the Rev. John Talbot, March 25, 1703, being the Feast of the Annunciation. In August of that year the building was sufficiently finished to permit of the holding of services and on the twenty-second of that month Keith on his return from the South preached the first sermon in it. The building was completed in June 1704 and Talbot celebrated the Holy Communion for the first time on the Feast of Whitsunday. A warrant was issued by the governor, Lord Cornbury, for a permit to incorporate the parish under the name of St. Anne, in honor of the queen, October 4, 1704, but by some neglect the charter was not passed until January 25, 1709, when the name "St. Mary," the original dedication, was substituted. In 1705 Talbot was established as permanent S. P. G. missionary in Burlington, a position which he held until 1725 when he was inhibited on the charge of Jacobitism. He died in Burlington in 1727.

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It was due to the indefatigable labors of Talbot, assisted in the first instance by his early associate George Keith, that the Church of England colonists in these parts were first ministered to and a Church erected on property in Hopewell township deeded by John Hutchinson. (For sketches of Keith and Talbot, see Appendix H: 1, 2.)

EARLY CHURCH OF ENGLAND FAMILIES

That there was a group of Church of England colonists settled in the vicinity of the Falls of Delaware, some years previous to 1700, is certain. Among the families whose names have come down to us were the Pearsons, the Hutchinsons, the Tyndalls, the Eatons and the Heaths. Naturally these families would desire as soon as possible to secure the ministrations of the Church, and also to erect a building for worship. Accordingly we find that measures looking to these ends were soon undertaken. A plot of ground was secured in 1703 in a section accessible to the settlers scattered on the farms and plantations along the Delaware River, both north and south of the Falls, and also convenient by ferry to those living on the Pennsylvania side. This property was conveyed by John Hutchinson out of the extensive holdings of his father, Thomas Hutchinson, one of the West Jersey proprietors, to certain others whose names are given in the deed.

THE HUTCHINSON DEED

The deed to the Hopewell Church property is on record in the office of the secretary of state in Trenton in *Deed Book AAA* (pp. 105, 114), and bears date of April 20, 1703. The deed conveys

Two acres of land from John Hutchinson, son of Thomas Hutchinson, to Andrew Heath, Richard Eayre, Abial Davis and Zebulon Heston in trust for the inhabitants of the said township of Hopewell and their successors inhabiting and dwelling within the said township forever, for the public and common use and benefit of the whole township for the erection and building of a public meeting house thereon and also for place of burial and for no other uses, intents or purposes whatsoever. (For full text of deed and acknowledgment, see Appendix G: 1, 2.)



THE REVEREND GEORGE KEITH
1639-1716
FIRST MISSIONARY OF THE SOCIETY FOR
THE PROPAGATION OF THE GOSPEL
IN FOREIGN PARTS

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Prior to 1714 Hopewell township reached down to the Assanpink creek and therefore the church erected on the lot deeded by Hutchinson would commonly be known as "Hopewell Church."

Although not so stated in the deed, it is certain from other documentary evidence, about to be submitted, that this property was originally designed for the use of the Church of England people residing in the vicinity, that the building was erected, paid for and occupied by them until a church was subsequently built in the village of Trenton.

THE EARLIEST MINISTRATIONS

Entries of Baptisms under the band of the Rev. John Talbot

Hopewell.	Feb. 28. Anno Domini. Jesus Christi 1702-3.	
	John and Ann, ye children of Rog'r Parke, baptized by Mr. John Talbot.	
	Roger, son of Roger Park, baptized 7 ^{br} . Sept. 8, 1704.	
Hopewell		4
	Mary, Eliz., Thomas Ann William John	
	Sarah & Robert The children of Thomas Tyndal Bapt. briz	
		7
J.T.		<hr/> <hr/>
		1704
Hopewell		
Chapel ?	Anno Dom. Nostri Jesus Christi 1705 Sept 27	10
Church		
	Marmaduke, Isaac & Eliz. Hutchinson	} Baptized briz
	John, Andrew & Eliz. & Sarah Heath	
J.T.	& Joseph Tyndall	
		7.27

The above are exact transcripts from the Parish Register of St. Mary's Church, Burlington, of entries in the well-known handwriting of the Rev. John Talbot, and prove conclusively that his ministrations to church people in Hopewell go back to 1702-1703.

It will be observed that the entries under 1703-1704 have simply "Hopewell" while the lower entry (1705) has the word "Chapel" or "Church"; it is uncertain which, for the word is

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partly illegible. The plain inference is that at the earlier dates the building was not erected or, perhaps, completed, while the entry (1705) would seem to show that the baptisms there recorded actually took place in the church itself, which is the rule of the Prayer Book, wherever possible.

Under the entry "ye children of Rog'r Parke," the reference is to the Roger Parke mentioned in the "Lycense to Build" 1705, and in the case of "the children of Thomas Tyndal" the reference is to the Thomas Tyndall mentioned in the same document as one of the wardens of the Hopewell Church. The last entry under the surname "Hutchinson," undoubtedly refers to the children of John Hutchinson who made the deed for the property in 1703, while the "Heath" children were those of Andrew Heath, one of those to whom the property was deeded.

SHARPE'S JOURNAL

The Rev. John Sharpe who came to this country in 1702, subsequently becoming chaplain to Lord Cornbury, the governor of the Jerseys, returning home in 1717, kept a journal of his doings while here, in the course of which he speaks several times of the Hopewell church, and of his ministrations there, as also at Maidenhead. His journal is printed in the *Pennsylvania Magazine*, Vol. XL:

- P. 261: Oct. 1, 1704: "Preached at Maidenhead and yn did the Inhabitants sign a letter to my Lord of London. I discoursed with some Sabatarians; bapt. three children."
- P. 266: Nov. 7, 1705: "I set out to Hopewell & preached at Tho. Tyndals."
- P. 271: Dec. 8, 1706: "Went out of town (Burlington) wt. Tho. Tyndal and left my horses at ye widow Watsons at the (Assanpink) Creek."
- P. 271: Dec. 9, 1706: "Preached at Hopewell & bapt. 1."
- P. 273: Mar. 10, 1706: "Left Burlington & arrived at Tho. Tyndals."
- P. 274: April 23, 1706: "Whit sunday I preached at Hopewell Ch. Ld. Cornbury pnt."
- P. 274: April 25, 1706: "Lay at Andrew Heath's."

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It would appear that Sharpe was very active in missionary work, not only in the Jerseys but also in New York, and other sections of the country. He appears often to have officiated in Christ Church, Philadelphia, and in Trinity Church, New York City, as also at Burlington, Hopewell, Maidenhead, Amboy and Elizabeth Town.

THE ORIGINAL OF AN ANCIENT DOCUMENT COMES TO LIGHT

There was printed in the *State Gazette*, May 25, 1881, a copy of an "old and interesting document" relating to the establishment of an Episcopal church in Hopewell. The same constitutes a royal license to build a church issued by "Richard Ingoldsby, Lieutenant-Governor of her Majesty's Provinces of New Jersey, New Yorke," under date 1705, and is countersigned "J. Bass." The document was addressed to Thomas Tindall, Roger Parke, Robert Eaton and Andrew Heath. (See, for sketches of above, Appendix H: 4, 5, 6.)

State Gazette

WEDNESDAY, MAY 25, 1881 (3-2)

Old and Interesting Document. The document of which the following is a copy, represents the first establishment of the Episcopal Church of Trenton, New Jersey. It was located on a part of the 5,000 acres taken up by Thomas Hutchinson, known as "Hutchinson's Manor," which had then, by the death of Thomas, fallen to his only son, John Hutchinson. Part of its walls are still standing on a hill a short distance beyond the State Lunatic Asylum. It was used by the Episcopalians until the building of their church (St. Michael's) in Trenton.

It is worthy of note that Thomas Tindall was most prominent in its establishment and erection, and was one of its first wardens.

Thomas Hutchinson (the proprietor) had only one son, "John," here named. John had two sons, Marmaduke and Isaac. Marmaduke did not attain manhood.

Isaac was living in Trenton in 1749, after which all trace is lost of him, and of the descendants of Thomas Hutchinson.

THE "LYCENSE" TO BUILD

Richard Ingoldsby Esquire, Lieut. Governor, of her Majesties Provinces of New Jersey, New Yorke, and all the Territories &c. depending thereon, in America &c.

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To Thomas Tindall, Roger Parke, Robert Eaton and Andrew Heath, Greeting.

Whereas several of the Inhabitants of the Township of Hopewell, in Her majesty Province of New Jersey, out of a pious designe, to promote the honor of God, and the advancement of the Protestant religion, and Church of England, as by law established; and in order thereunto, have purchased a convenient Tract of Land of John Hutchinson, deceased, as by the deed of sale thereof, bearing date, the twentieth day of april Anno Dom. 1703, for the erecting and building a house, for the more decent worshipping of God, according to the usages aforesaid; and have by voluntary contributions, begun to erect and build the same; for which they have also desired my Lycense.

These are therefore to Lycense, authorise or impower you, or any three or more of you, to erect and build, upon the said Tract of Land, as purchased, as aforesaid; a church or place for the more decent worshipping of God, according to the forme and worship, of the Church of England as by law established; as also to take and receive such gifts and Contributions, as well disposed people, shall voluntarily bestow, for the said pious designe. Hereby appointing ye said Thomas Tindall & Robert Eaton to be church wardens, of the said church; to be called by the name of "Christ Church"; for the year next ensuing.

Giving hereby, and Granting unto you; in conjunction, with the minister and vestry, of the said church, all such power and privileges, as the minister, Church wardens and vestrymen, usually have and enjoy in the Kingdom of England.

In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and seale, the third day of April, Anno Reg. Regn Anna Nunc Anatic &c. —Anno Dom. 1705.

RICH INGOLDSBY

By his honnors Commd.

J. BASS.

A facsimile of the original document is printed in *History of St. Michael's* by Miss S. Ella De Cou, (privately printed at the Holmes Press in Philadelphia, 1926). The instrument does not appear on record in the office of the Secretary of State of New Jersey. In form and language it closely parallels other examples of the same period. (See AAA Commissions, p. 139.)

The statement was previously made that a church was built in 1704 in the township of Hopewell for the use of the Church of

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England colonists and that this was the first Christian church erected in these parts, and that from this congregation sprang what was afterwards St. Michael's Parish.

THE LOCATION OF THE HOPEWELL CHURCH

The location of the land whereon this church was built lies some five hundred yards back from the Trenton Junction road, a little to the west of the property now belonging to the New Jersey State Hospital, being a part of what is now known as the "Breese farm."

It is due to the diligent and scholarly investigation of the Rev. Dr. George H. Ingram (stated clerk of the Presbytery of New Brunswick), the results of which were published *in extenso* in the *Trenton Evening Times*, July 22, 1912, that the references were first collated which establish these facts beyond controversy.

Dr. Ingram concludes his citation of authorities by declaring:

that the Hopewell Church erected on the lot deeded by Hutchinson in 1703 belonged to the Church of England. And while there is not entire unambiguity as to the date it seems very probable that the building was erected by 1704. And what is more, coming generations should know that this is the site of Trenton's first tabernacle for the worship of Almighty God. Crude though it may have been, to this altar in the wilderness men of God came across the seas to minister. The paths through the forests converged at this house of prayer. And down on the river below on worship days the prows of the boats coming from the various settlements up and down the Delaware pointed to the bank over against this holy place.

SALE OF THE HOPEWELL CHURCH PROPERTY

Nothing is known as to the character of the original building or how long it continued to be used as a place of worship. As the first church building of the parish, subsequently known as St. Michael's, was not erected much earlier than 1748, it is probable that the Hopewell church was abandoned about that time, being suffered to fall into decay as ministering to a dwindling congregation, the majority of which tended to live near the village. The property was sold by St. Michael's Church in 1838, the

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parish retaining only a small portion where there was an old burying plot.

The Minutes of the Vestry for 1837 and 1838 give the details relating to the sale of the property.

Meeting of the Vestry, September 18, 1837

Mr. (John) Mershon, Warden, stated that there was a Lot of Land near Mr. George Woodruff supposed to contain two Acres belonging to the Church, which had formerly been occupied as a Burial Ground and that an offer had been made by Mr. Ralph Lanning (whose lands it adjoins) to purchase it. Whereupon Messrs. (Wm.) Kerwood & (Joshua) Hollingshead were appointed to investigate the title of the Church to said Land and also to confer with Mr. Lanning and report to the Vestry at their next meeting.

Meeting of the Vestry, Monday evening, October 23, 1837

The Committee on the Lot of land near Mr. Woodruff belonging to the Church were directed to sell the same on the best terms they could, providing the sum is not less than \$100., reserving the ground occupied by the graves of . . .

Meeting of the Vestry, December 2, 1837

The Committee on the lot recommended that it be sold to Mr. Lanning for \$100., "reserving all that part of said Lot which is now enclosed by a Stone Wall." Agreed to, and Mr. Wood was requested to write a deed to same.

Meeting of the Vestry, March 6, 1838

Copy of the Deed to Ralph Lanning signed by John Mershon, clerk of the Vestry of St. Michael's Church, dated May 14, 1838, consideration, \$100., 2 Acres commonly called the "Grave Yard Lot" reserving thereout all that parcel now enclosed by a Stone Wall, and which enclosure contains the Graves of Samuel Tucker and others and measures 32 feet by 27 feet 6 inches. (Ralph Lanning of Ewing Township, Mercer Co.) (For text of deed, see Appendix G: 3.)

In the same article in the *Trenton Evening Times*, previously referred to, Dr. Ingram gives the following description of the plot as he viewed it at the time:

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The two-acre plot has dwindled away until now it is only as large as a good sized cemetery lot. In the center there is a wild-cherry tree that has possibly seen two score years. At its foot are the two Tucker slabs and a few others with broken inscriptions. Tradition says that Mrs. William Trent, the wife of the founder of Trenton, sleeps in one of the unmarked graves. The tomb of Samuel Tucker is marked 1789 while that of his wife bears date of 1787. He was a noted man, holding many positions of responsibility: sheriff of Hunterdon county, a member of the provincial assembly, president of the provincial congress of New Jersey, a justice of the Supreme Court and to complete the list, treasurer of the state of New Jersey. (See Appendix I: 5.)

ADDITIONAL EVIDENCE AS TO THE CHARACTER OF THE HOPEWELL CHURCH

But apart from the evidence heretofore submitted the facts as to the character of the Hopewell Church are otherwise sufficiently established. Most of the authorities cited are contemporaneous and are in the form of letters written by the agents of the S.P.G. who were personally familiar with the local conditions since they ministered in the immediate neighborhood.

The two quotations following are taken from the *Collections of the Protestant Episcopal Historical Society for the year 1851* (State Library):

p. xxxiv: *Mr. Talbot to Mr. Gillingham.*

New Castle, 10th April, 1703.

I have sent you a scheme of the present state of the Church in these parts as we have found in our travels; since it was drawn up I have gone with Mr. Keith and without him about East and West Jersey Preaching and baptizing several scores of men, women and children encouraging them to build Churches by promising them in time ministers from England. . . . ”

p. xxxvi: *Mr. Talbot to Mr. Gillingham.*

Virginia, 3rd May, 1703.

. . . I have gone up and down in E. and W. Jersey preaching and baptizing and preparing the way for several Churches there. At Amboy they are going to build one, at Hopewell another, and at Shrewsbury, Col. Morris is going to build one at his own cost and charge, and he will endow it as he says. . . .

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This letter, be it observed, is dated a few weeks subsequent to the filing of the Hutchinson deed, April 20, 1703, and the inference is that Talbot was cognizant of the fact and understood that the gift was intended to provide ground for the erection of a church for his co-religionists.

The two references following are from the *Journal of the Rev. George Keith, M.A.*:

p. 57: *Mr. Talbot to Mr. Keith.*

N. York, October 20th, 1705.

Coll. Nicholson took Bills of Mr. Bass for the money in hand £70 Pennsylvania money, and he gave it all to the churches in these Provinces, with Bills of Exchange to make it up £100 sterling, Besides which he subscribed to the churches to be erected at Hopewell Elizabethtown Amboy and Salem . . .

p. 63: *Mr. Talbot to the Secretary.*

Burlington, 30th June, 1709.

. . . I find in your books one Mr. Sergt. Hooke is willing to give the tenth of his Land to the church in Hopewell; pray let him send me a power and I will take care of it, and get him a purchaser for the rest. . . .

This Sergeant Hooke is mentioned in Hall, *History of the Presbyterian Church in Trenton*, (p. 3); quoting from Odmixon, *British Empire in America* (I, p. 294). The extract reads:

A year or two after the surrender (of the patents of the proprietaries of the Crown, 1702) Sergeant Hook purchased 3,750 acres of land in West Jersey, and gave the tenth part of it as a glebe to the Church. He was a Presbyterian (?) but I suppose glebe is as consistent with that denomination as any other.

In the *Documents relating to the Colonial History of New York*, (Vol. IV, p. 1077), *John Chamberlain, Esq. to the Lords of Trade* there is a note concerning the Rev. Thoroughgood Moore, a missionary of the S.P.G. who was stationed for a period at Burlington to supply the services during the absence of Talbot in England, 1705-1708.

The Rev. Mr. Talbot being called to England at the time appointed Mr. Moor to serve his church during his absence who

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ministered sometimes at Hopewell which never had a settled minister though a church had been built there as early as 1700 or 1702.

Talbot in a letter to the S.P.G. secretary alludes to the services of the Rev. Mr. Moore in connection with the Hopewell Church.

Keith's Journal, p. 63: *Mr. Talbot to the Secretary.*

Burlington, 27th September 1709.

. . . Poor Hopewell has built a church and have had no minister yet; and he had need be a good one that comes after Mr. Moore.

ibid., p. 66: *Mr. Talbot to the Secretary.*

Burlington, October 28th, 1714.

In all the Province of West Jersey there was never any minister of Christ's Church settled but myself. I have built three Churches since I came here but have nobody to keep them nor myself neither. . . . The Society were once upon a good resolution to send Deacons to be School Masters; if they had done so to Burlington, to Bristol and to Hopewell they might have kept the Church doors open for they could read the Prayers and Homilies, baptize and catechise, they could visit the sick and bury the dead; but now they must bury one another; they have nowhere to go but Quaker meetings, which are as bad as Indians . . . The Church at Hopewell has been built these ten or twelve years and never had a minister settled there yet, though they have sent several Petitions and Addresses to the Society; but I understand since, that Hopewell, Maidenhead, etc., were kept under the thumb for Cotton Mather and the rest of the New England Doctors to send their emissaries; and those hirelings have often come there, and as often run away, because they were hirelings and cared for no souls but themselves.

The following is from Bass's *History of the Church at Burlington*, (1713-1714), (quoted in Hills, *Hist. Ch. in Burlington*, pp. 128, 129, 130). After references to the founding of that parish in 1703 occurs a passage relative to the church in Hopewell.

The Church (St. Mary's) thus settled under the care of the Rev. Mr. John Talbot through the Blessing of God, on his ministry grew and increased so that we had subscriptions made, and the

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foundations laid, for a church at Hopewell, in the upper part of the County of Burlington, which hath since been finished, which was for some time supplied by the Rev. Mr. May but is now without any minister . . . I cannot omit mentioning the Honorable Colonel Cox, then one of her Majesty's Council for this Province, who was one of the first subscribers to our Church at Burlington and has given the like assistance to that at Hopewell, together with the assurance of settling 200 acres of Land, out of the highest and most convenient part of his Land, contiguous to the said Church, for a glebe for the Minister, whenever it shall please God a missionary be sent over, to take care of that Church, or sooner if it be desired. . . .

After mentioning certain gifts made by Queen Anne to the church in Burlington he continues (p. 133):

She had also sent (1708) lead, and Glass Pulpit Cloths and Altar Cloths for the Churches of Hopewell and Salem. . . .

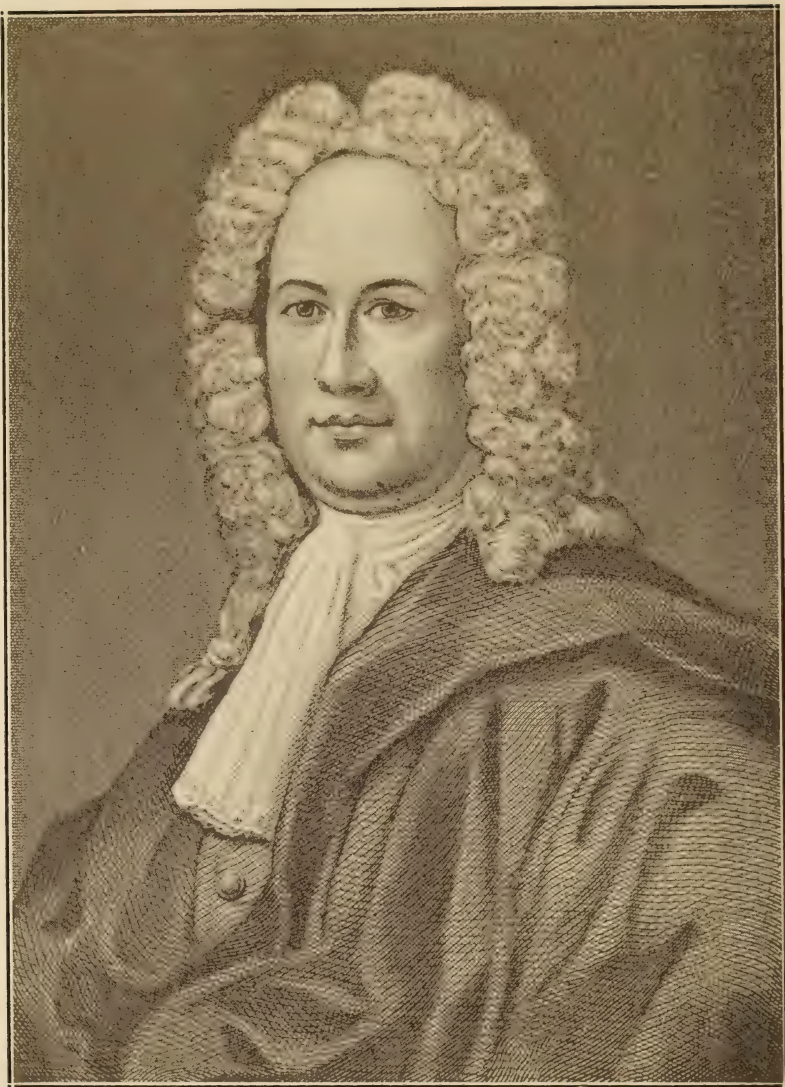
The writer of the foregoing was the Hon. Jeremiah Bass, governor of the Province of East Jersey 1698-1700, and appointed attorney-general of the united provinces in 1719. He was a resident of Burlington and a devout communicant of the Church of England. In his will, dated January 26, 1724, he left a legacy to St. Mary's Church. A manuscript of his *History of the Church at Burlington*, in the possession of the Bishop of London, was copied by the Rev. Dr. F. L. Hawks in 1836.

Talbot alludes to this "History" in a letter to the S.P.G. October 28, 1714.

But the History of the Church at Burlington, etc. hath been so much better done by Colonel Jeremiah Bass, Esq., Secretary to this Province, and transmitted home by the hands of the Honorable General Nicholson." (Hills, *Hist. Cb. in Burlington*, p. 126.)

On page 124 of the Fulham MS, taken from the Books of the S.P.G. July 1, 1724, the following appears:

Hopewell, Maidenhead, two Churches supplied by one minister, now vacant. There is no house nor glebe but Colonel Cox has promised to give one hundred acres of land to the Church at Maidenhead.



COLONEL DANIEL COXE

1673-1739

WHOSE SON AND EXECUTOR, JOHN COXE, DEEDED THE GROUND ON
NORTH WARREN STREET WHERE ST. MICHAEL'S CHURCH STANDS

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COLONEL DANIEL COXE

The Colonel Coxe referred to was Colonel Daniel Coxe, son of Dr. Daniel Coxe, Court physician to Charles II, one of the proprietors of West Jersey. Through his father Colonel Coxe was one of the largest land-owners in New Jersey. He was a churchman and one of the incorporators of St. Mary's Church, Burlington. He was associate justice of the supreme court of New Jersey from 1734 until his death in Trenton, April 25, 1739. He was buried in St. Mary's churchyard, Burlington. (See, for sketch of Colonel Daniel Coxe, Appendix H: 3.)

Colonel Coxe was the father of John Coxe, who deeded the land upon which St. Michael's Church now stands. There is no record that Daniel Coxe, either by will or otherwise, made a gift of land to the Hopewell church, as mentioned above in Bass's *History* but in a codicil to his will there is a provision for a gift of 100 acres known as the "Town Lot" for an Episcopal church in the township of Maidenhead to which further reference will be made.

The original will is on file in the Secretary of State's office, Trenton, (Lib. 4, p. 157).

On page 53 of the *Digest S.P.G. Records* appears the following:

. . . Thus at Hopewell a church begun by voluntary contributions about 1704 remained vacant for ten years, saving when a Missionary happened to pass that way; yet the people fell not away, but continuing in one mind, gladly joined in the services whenever opportunity offered.

Quoted from the *Ecclesiastical Records of New York*, Vol. III, p. 1950:

The Rev. Jacob Henderson in reporting on the State of the Church of England in the Colonies under date of June 2, 1712, protests against the appointment as members of the Council of some new members whom he describes as dissenters, thus imperilling the interest of the Church of England. In this report he mentions that "the Dissenters now have in that province one Woolsey, a New England preacher who took the Church of Hopewell though it was built by subscriptions of the Church of England men and for the service of the Church of England.

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As evidence that in the earliest days there was a goodly number of members belonging to the Church of England resident in this vicinity there is a letter from the Rev. Jonathan Odell who served under the S.P.G. as minister of St. Mary's Church, Burlington, from 1767 until the time of the Revolutionary War.

Mr. Odell to the Secretary.

Burlington, July 5, 1768.

I think it my duty to represent to the Society the importance of a Mission in Trenton. There is no other Episcopal Church on the Great Road between Burlington and Brunswick; a distance of more than 40 miles. Within the memory of many Persons yet living, the Inhabitants of Trenton & the country for some distance round it were chiefly Members of the Church of England; the few dissenters that were among them were mostly Quakers, a people in this Country of all Dissenters the most friendly to those of our Communion. . . . (Hills, *Hist. Ch. in Burlington*, pp. 294-5.)

In Humphrey's *Historical Account of the S.P.G.* 1730, (p. 274), there appears the following statement:

Hopewell and Maidenhead are two neighboring towns, containing a considerable number of families. The people of Hopewell showed a very early desire of having the Church of England worship settled among them; and in the year 1704 built a Church with voluntary contributions though they had no prospect then of having a Minister. The Rev. Mr. May was there some short time, but Mr. Talbot from Burlington often visited them. This Church was for ten years vacant. In 1720 the Rev. Mr. Harrison was appointed Missionary there with charge of Maidenhead, but soon wrote the Society that he was not able to undergo the fatigue of constantly riding between two places and in 1723 he removed to a Church in Staten Island.

BOOKS AND DOCUMENTS CITED OR CONSULTED FOR THE EARLY PERIOD

The sources upon which the three foregoing chapters are based are fragmentary in their character, the materials being scattered through various books and documents. Chief among these are: *A Classified Digest of the Records of the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel in Foreign Parts*, (1701-1892, 5th edi-

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tion, London 1895); *Journal of the Rev. George Keith M.A.*; *Journal of the Rev. John Sharpe*; *Humphrey's Historical Account of the S.P.G.* 1730; Hills, *History of the Church in Burlington* (2nd edition 1885); Smith, *History of the State of New Jersey* (1765 reprint 1890); *Collections of the Protestant Episcopal Society*, for the year 1851; *Documents relating to the Colonial History of New York*; Deeds and Wills on file in the secretary of state's office, Trenton; Godfrey, *Original Researches*; *The Minutes of the Vestry of St. Michael's Church Trenton*; Hall, *History of the Presbyterian Church in Trenton* (2nd edition 1912); *Documents Relating to the Colonial History of New Jersey* (1677-1776); *The Ecclesiastical Records of New York*; Field, *Provincial Courts of New Jersey*; Nelson, *Church Records in New Jersey*; *Archives of the State of New Jersey*; Watson's, *Annals of Philadelphia*; Volumes of *The Pennsylvania Magazine*; Lee, *Genealogical and Personal Memorial of Mercer County*; Lee, *History of Trenton*; Keasbey, *Courts and Lawyers of New Jersey*.

CHAPTER IV

MISSIONARIES SERVING THE HOPEWELL CHURCH

1704-1745

IT would appear that the church in Hopewell had to depend for the most part upon the occasional services of S.P.G. missionaries or sundry itinerants as such were available. For long periods there were evidently no regular services held and the congregations must have become discouraged and fallen into careless habits. Doubtless the more religiously inclined, during the intervals when their church was closed for lack of ministrations, would attend the services of the Presbyterians, either in the Ewing Church or the Maidenhead (Lawrenceville) Church, whichever was most convenient.

As for pastoral offices such as baptisms, marriages and burials the services of the settled ministers at Burlington could probably be had. Indeed, as previously shown, there is evidence of such ministrations in the earliest records of St. Mary's Church.

From the S.P.G. records and other sources it is possible to supply the names of those who ministered to the Hopewell congregation together with the approximate dates of their periods of service.

<i>Name</i>	<i>Periods of Service</i>
Rev. John Talbot	*†1705-1723
Rev. John Sharpe	*†1705-
Rev. Thoroughgood Moore	*†1705-1707
Rev. Mr. May	*†before 1714
Rev. Thomas Halliday Elizabethtown, Hopewell	*†1714-1717
Rev. Robert Walker Hopewell and Maidenhead	*†1715-1718
Rev. William Harrison Hopewell and Amwell	* 1721-1723
Rev. William Lindsay	* 1735-1745

* MISSIONARY

† OCCASIONALLY

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Of the foregoing there is little detailed knowledge except in the case of the Rev. John Talbot, whose complete life and labors are set forth in Hills' *History of the Church in Burlington* and to whose memory the book is inscribed.

Of the Rev. Thoroughgood Moore something may be gathered from various sources. In the *First Report of the Bureau of Archives*, Province of Ontario, 1903 (Vol. III, p. 1556), appears a short sketch of his career:

THE REV. THOROUGHGOOD MOORE

The Rev. Thoroughgood Moore was a native of England. He arrived in the Autumn of 1704, in New York, whence he proceeded to Albany. . . . He returned to New York in 1705. The Rev. Mr. Talbot, of Burlington, N.J., being called to England, at the time, on business, appointed Mr. Moore to serve his church during his absence, who ministered some time in Hope-well,—which never had a settled minister,—though a church had been built there as early as 1700 or 1702. Mr. Moore also began, about this time, a church at Bristol, Pa. During his sojourn at Burlington, he became so scandalized at the conduct of Lieutenant-Governor Ingoldsby, that he refused to admit him to the Lord's Supper, and was cast into jail in consequence. Having contrived his escape, he fled, in company with the Rev. Mr. Brooks of Elizabethtown, to Boston where he met Mr. Talbot, then on his return from England. . . . (He) sailed from Marblehead in November, 1707, and literally "sunk in the sea." The vessel in which they were passengers foundered during the voyage, and neither they or any of the crew, or any wreck of the ship, were ever heard of after. Mr. Moore was much lamented by those who knew him, being (says Mr. Basse) a person of morals, meekness, piety and charity. (Humphrey, *Historical Account of the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel*, pp. 287-91; *Collections of the Protestant Episcopal Society for 1851*, '57, '60, '63, '64, '67, '70; *New York Documentary History*, Col. Doc. N.Y., IV, 1077.)

In Hills, *History of the Church in Burlington*, (pp. 71-90), there appears a circumstantial account of the causes of the trouble between the Rev. Mr. Moore and the governmental authorities, of which the following represents a much condensed summary:

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The Rev. Thoroughgood Moore who during the absence of Talbot in England, 1705-1708, had charge of St. Mary's Church, Burlington, was the victim of personal spite on the part of Lord Cornbury, the governor. On the trumped-up charge of fomenting disaffection to the government he was seized, transported to New York, and lodged as a prisoner in Fort Anne. The facts seem to be that he had incurred the wrath of Lord Cornbury by his outspoken criticism of the governor, in his attempt to dictate in ecclesiastical matters. Moreover, Moore had repelled from the communion lieutenant-governor Ingoldsby on the ground that he had expressed in private conversation with himself sentiments which Moore interpreted as unchristian and as thus disqualifying him for the reception of the sacrament. It appears according to the story, that Moore had asked Ingoldsby "if he had so much patience and christian temper as to take a box on the ear without resentment or returning the injury." Ingoldsby replied that "he neither would nor could take such an affront from any man without a due resentment." On the next occasion when the communion was celebrated in St. Mary's Church, by the Rev. Mr. Moore, he informed the lieutenant-governor during the service that if he was still of the same mind not to approach the Holy Table, for in case he did so the sacrament would be refused to him. If this was the whole case the action on Mr. Moore's part was certainly somewhat drastic and naturally caused a scandal in the congregation and in the colony and Moore was charged with arrogantly exceeding his priestly commission.

Both Cornbury and Ingoldsby appear to have been heartily detested in the colony of New Jersey, and the former especially was charged with tyranny, flagrant personal immorality, and for failure to pay his just debts. Colonel Morris in a letter to the secretary of the S.P.G. written in 1707, denounced Lord Cornbury in unmeasured terms as "a notorious breaker of his word" and "avowedly and openly unjust, in everybody's debt that would trust him." He declared "that the scandal of his life was such that were he in a Heathen Country he would be by the public Justice made an example to deter others from his practices."

The assembly of New Jersey, in 1707, addressed a long remonstrance to Cornbury against his tyranny and other misde-

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meanors, and specifically mentions his treatment of the Rev. Mr. Moore. Soon afterwards Cornbury was removed by Queen Anne and Lord Lovelace appointed in his stead.

THE REV. JOHN SHARPE

In addition to his Journal previously quoted from there are several allusions to the Rev. John Sharpe in letters of Talbot from which certain facts may be gleaned. It appears that Talbot in 1705 associated Sharpe with himself in his missionary labors. Thus Talbot writes to Keith under date of October 28, 1705:

. . . Mr. Sharp and I have gone the rounds several times from Burlington to Amboy, to Hopwell, to Elizabeth Town, to Staten Island in our turns, with good success, God be blessed, in all places. He has gathered a Church himself at Cheesquaks, where he preached several times and baptized about forty persons. . . . (Hills, *Hist. Ch. in Burlington*, p. 57.)

Sharpe's name appears joined with those of other clergymen in an address to the officials of the S.P.G. dated Burlington, November 2, 1705. (*ibid.*, p. 62)

Sharpe is also mentioned in the correspondence of the Rev. Thoroughgood Moore from which it would appear that he was then (1710) acting as chaplain to the Queen's forces in New York (*ibid.*, p. 70)

A note in regard to William Bradford, the printer of the first edition of the *Book of Common Prayer* printed on this continent, 1710, says that

In 1704 the wardens of Trinity Church (New York) lent him (Bradford) £30 or £40 for six months, for purchasing paper to print Comon Prayer Book . . . and the Rev. John Sharp, Chaplain of the Queen's forces became his security. (*ibid.*, p. 337)

THE REV. THOMAS HALLIDAY

The Rev. Thomas Halliday, who seems to have ministered in the Hopewell Church as an itinerant, had previously served St. Peter's Church, Perth Amboy (1711-1713). From the account given of his behavior in *The History of St. Peter's Church* (1924, pp. 40-1), he seems to have been a man unworthy of his calling. He was quarrelsome and addicted to the use of strong liquor. At a vestry meeting he threw a decanter of wine at the head of one

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of the wardens for which outrageous assault the doors of the church were bolted against him. He was subsequently removed from his office by the Rev. Mr. Barclay, the S.P.G. commissary and subsequently rector of Trinity Church, New York.

THE REV. ROBERT WALKER

Of Robert Walker we learn from a letter of the secretary of the S.P.G. to Talbot dated October 28, 1714, that the missive was sent by

The Rev. Robert Walker, who was dispatched to Burlington, for the care of that place in Mr. Talbot's sickness and as his successor in case of his removal, with the provisional charge of New Bristol and Hopewell. (Hills, *Hist. Ch. in Burlington*, p. 39)

In 1716 Talbot wrote to the Secretary complaining

I have not had the favor of a letter, though I have sent several since Mr. Walker arrived. (*ibid.*, p. 146.)

THE REV. WILLIAM HARRISON

Little or nothing can be discovered as to the Rev. William Harrison, beyond the information to the effect that he was appointed in 1720 missionary at Hopewell "with care of Maidenhead."

THE REV. WILLIAM LINDSAY

Of the Rev. William Lindsay only the following scanty facts are available:

William Lindsay, M.A. Glasgow University. To America 1733; returned for ordination. Itinerant: Bristol, Pa. 1735-45. Trenton, Amwell, etc. 1735-45. (*Missionary Roll*, S. P. G. 1702-1892, p. 855.)

The Rev. Mr. Lindsay in writing (1736) mentions having been to Trenton of which he says "It is a pretty large town and in the great country about it, there are several of the Communion of the Church of England." In 1739 he reported that there were 19 communicants in Trenton. (Parker, *Historical Sketches*, pp. 108-113.)

Of the Rev. Mr. May (no Christian name given) there is only

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a passing mention in Bass's *History of the Church at Burlington* from which it is uncertain exactly when he served and for how long a period.

THE REV. MICHAEL HOUDIN

At the time when the churchmen living in or near the village of Trenton formed a congregation, say 1745-1747, and proceeded to erect a church building, there would appear to be no settled minister, but shortly afterwards, certainly as early as 1750, the Rev. Michael Houdin was in charge and he must have remained for at least seven years, since he and Pontius Stelle were witnesses of the will of Daniel Coxe, III, January 25, 1757. The minutes of the vestry April 20, 1755, speak of "the minister, Church Wardens and Vestry of the Church of Trenton." What is known concerning this first settled pastor will be duly detailed at a later point in the narrative.

We now leave the Hopewell Church and proceed to consider its outgrowth and continuation in the parish of St. Michael's.

CHAPTER V

ST. MICHAEL'S PARISH FORMED AND CHURCH ERECTED

1745-1748

IN what year the congregation, properly known as St. Michael's, was formed, cannot be exactly determined. The minutes of the vestry so far as they have been preserved, do not go behind the year 1755, and there is nothing subsequently in them that serves to throw any light upon the subject.

THE FIRST ENTRY IN THE MINUTES

The first entry in the minutes, April 30, 1755, records the "meeting of the minister church wardens and vestry of the Church of Trenton at the House of Elijah Bond this day." A resolution orders:

That the deed for the Church Lot given by Jno Cox Esqr. de-
ceas'd be recorded And that R. L. Hooper Esqr. see the said
Deed Recorded as Soon as possible (signed) Robert Knowles
Clerk.

This order could not have been carried out, or if so the document subsequently disappeared, since at a meeting of the vestry held sixty-six years later, May 28, 1821, there is a reference to the action of the vestry taken in 1755.

AN ENQUIRY CONCERNING THE DEED

Whereas it appears by the minutes of the vestry April 30th A.D. 1755 that Robert L. Hooper Esq was directed to have the Deed for the Lot given by John Cox Esqr recorded as soon as possible which Deed is mislaid, and has never been in the possession of this Corporation, and whereas it is the opinion of several that encroachments have been made on said Lot.

Therefore be it Resolved that P. F. Glentworth and Thomas Gordon be a Committee to make enquiry concerning this Deed and to ascertain whether it is on record and that if on record to

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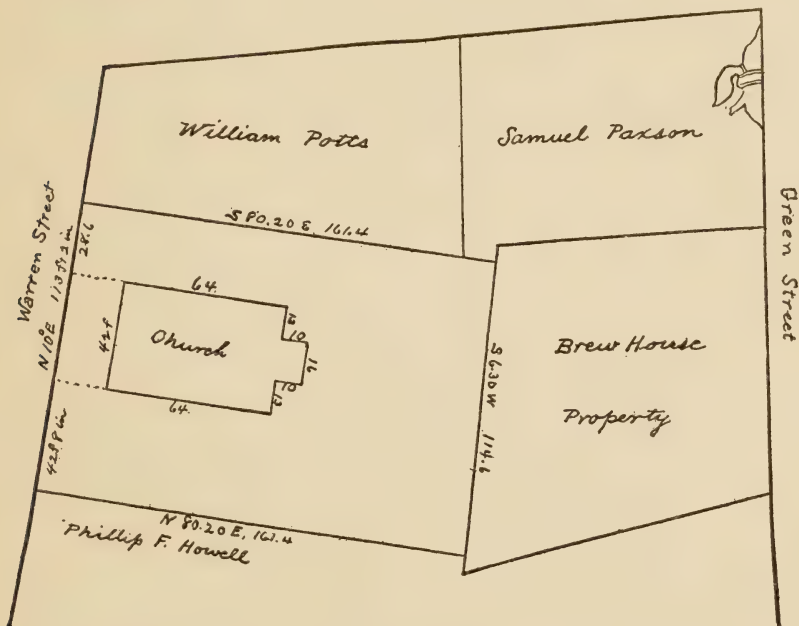
procure an exemplification of it, if the original cannot be found: and they are hereby directed to have the Lot (on which the Church is erected) surveyed and a plan made of the size of the boundary as now inclosed, that if the said Deed cannot be found, and it is not on record, that future encroachments may be prevented.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE

Meeting of the Vestry, Monday, May 6, 1822

We the Subscribers, a Committee of the Vestry of St. Michael's Church, appointed to make a survey and to ascertain the boundaries of the Lot of the said Church, make report and certify as follows:

That on the 25th day of March last we made a Survey and actual measurement of the Lot of the said Church and found the course and dimensions of said Lot as now held in possession as follows,



In witness whereof we have hereunto set our hands this Twenty day of April, A.D. 1822,

THOMAS GORDON
P. F. GLENTWORTH

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Beginning at the corner of the house and Lot of Philip F. Howell, on the East side of Warren Street; thence (1) by said Street, North ten Degrees East One Hundred and thirteen feet, two inches to the corner of the fence and formerly corner of an Alley, now in possession of Wm. Potts; (2) by said Potts and a Lot of Samuel Paxson, South eighty degrees and twenty minutes East one hundred and sixty one feet, four inches to a post; (3) by the rear line of ye Brew House Property, South six degrees and thirty minutes West one hundred and fourteen feet, six inches to the Corner of said Howell's lot; (4) by said Lot North eighty degrees West, one hundred and sixty-seven feet, six inches to the beginning; containing thirty-six hundredths of an Acre, whereof the following is a true representation:

This map may be assumed to represent substantially the location and dimension of the plot originally deeded by John Coxe.

An old stone slab now emplaced in the exterior wall of the south tower, and which previously had covered the tomb of the Coxe family in the aisle of the church, bears the following inscription:

This slab formerly covered the vault of the Coxe Family over which the Building was extended 1846-7

John Coxe

Died 1753

Daniel Cox

Died 1758

Rebecca Coxe

Died 1802

The following was subsequently added:

Children of Colonel Daniel Coxe, a large landowner and prominent Churchman, died 1739. His son and Executor John Coxe deeded the ground on which this Church stands.

JOHN COXE PURCHASED LAND AT SHERIFF'S SALE

A recent research made by Counsellor William J. Backes, the well-known title expert, proves that the land on which St. Michael's Church stands (deeded to the parish by John Coxe—deed missing) was bought by John Coxe at a public sale held by David Martin, high sheriff of Hunterdon County, on October 27,

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1742, the price paid being 48 pounds and 10 shillings. The deed is dated March 17, 1743. (See Deeds E. F. page 448, Office Secretary of State). This property was formerly owned by James Neilson to whom it was conveyed by deed from James Trent, the eldest son of Colonel William Trent, January 29, 1729. (See Deeds E. F. page 358, Office Secretary of State). This plot was a portion of the property included in the original purchase by Colonel William Trent from Mahlon Stacy, Jr., in 1714. This effectually disposes of the assumption, long current, that St. Michael's Church acquired the land from Daniel Coxe, father of John Coxe, since it is evident the elder Coxe never owned the land in question.

THE TITLE "ST. MICHAEL'S"

When and upon what occasion the name "St. Michael," as designating the parish, was adopted, does not appear. If the Hopewell Church bore the name "Christ Church," as thus described in the "Lycense to Build," in 1705, then, when the new Church was built in Trenton some forty years later, a new title must have been adopted. The probabilities are that the usual ecclesiastical custom in such cases was followed, and the name was chosen because it was upon the Feast of St. Michael and All Angels, which falls upon September 29, that the cornerstone was laid, or the building perhaps dedicated.

The title was not used in the first minutes, 1755, the record reading as follows: "The minister church wardens and vestry of the Church of Trenton." It was not until 1761 that the designation "St. Michael's Church" appears on the minutes, though subsequently that title is the one commonly employed.

In other documents of the period it seemed to be sufficient for purposes of identification to say the "English Church," or simply "the Church."

In colonial days a parish of the Established Church of England would be technically known as the "church," in contradistinction to the "meeting house" which was the ordinary expression used to describe the place of worship of a dissenting body. Popularly, perhaps, "meeting house" was applied indifferently to all places of worship.

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THE ORIGINAL CHURCH BUILDING

As to the date when the church building was erected, there is no definite information. Peter Kalm in his "*Travels into North America*" (Edition MDCCLXX, page 220), in giving a short description of Trenton under date of October 28, 1748, writes:

It has two small churches, one for the people belonging to the church of England and the other for the presbyterians. . . .

Stryker, *Trenton One Hundred Years Ago*, (p. 12), has the following:

. . . Crossing Church alley (going down east side of King Street) we find the English Church now St. Michael's Episcopal Church. It was built in 1750 and a part of the old edifice is still preserved.

A LOTTERY TO FINISH THE CHURCH

In the *New Jersey Archives* (Vol. XIX, p. 79), there is a reference taken from the *Pennsylvania Gazette*, June 20, 1751, giving particulars as to the Trenton lottery "for raising Three Hundred and ninety-three pounds Fifteen shillings for finishing and completing the Church in said town." Subsequent references to the same matter follow, by which it would appear that the lottery was not drawn until the late Spring of 1752. (See Appendix J.)

As to the approximate date of the building of the church, we may perhaps place the beginning of the work in the autumn of 1747, for Kalm on October 28, 1748, noted its existence, but the building probably was not fully completed until 1751 or 1752.

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There is nothing to show the size or character of the building, or its approximate cost. Probably it was a very simple affair, perhaps of wooden construction (Stryker says "brick"), for the congregation must have been small, and their means meagre.

The first intimation as to any improvement and addition to the structure is found in the minutes of the vestry meeting, held April 25, 1774, when Daniel Coxe and John Barnes, who had been appointed a committee to build a cupola reported that

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. . . they have agreed with John Rozell to erect a cupola and gallery and compleat the whole for the sum of seventy pounds, including materials and painting.

The work can hardly have progressed very rapidly, since a year later at a vestry meeting held April 24, 1775, the same committee was appointed

. . . To enquire whether the carpenter who undertook to build a cupola and a gallery in the Church had begun the same and what progress is made therein & report the same as soon as may be.

There is no further mention of the matter, either because the work was completed, or if otherwise, perhaps because the war of the Revolution put a temporary stop to plans for any improvements.

THE MISSING CHARTER

That the parish was not originally incorporated is apparent from an entry in the minutes of February 28, 1773, wherein the following statement appears:

The Congregation being under great inconvenience for want of a Charter of Incorporation, and it being apprehended that his Excellency the Gov. will cheerfully grant a Charter it is agreed and ordered that Dan. Coxe & Isaac Allen be a committee to prepare and draw up a Charter and Petition as soon as possible & Report the same to the Vestry.

That there was some delay in the matter is evident from the following entry for April 25, 1774; where it is provided that

Mr. Coxe and Mr. Allen is continued a committee to prepare and draw up a Charter and Petition to his Exy the governor for incorporating this Church as soon as possible and report the same to the vestry.

Again in the minutes for April 24, 1775, there is a further reference to the matter:

Mr. Allen and Mr. Coxe continued as a committee to prepare a Charter as before ordered and Mr. How is added to the said committee for the purpose afsd.

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No charter seems to have been granted as the result of these efforts, and nothing further appears upon the minutes until 1795.

Perhaps the difficulty in obtaining a charter in colonial days may be explained by the following passage taken from *Church Records in New Jersey* by William Nelson, p. 13, n.:

The course of Gov. Jonathan Belcher in granting patents of incorporation to religious bodies not of the Church of England was severely criticised by members of the latter denomination. A writer in a Philadelphia newspaper, in 1768, says: "During a late Administration, the Province of New-Jersey, saw and felt the Effects of Presbyterian Power; her seats of justice, &c. Commissions of the Peace, were preferably conferred upon them; their Meeting houses, which now they affect to call churches, were every where incorporated, while Charters were denied, not only to Churches (meaning of the Church of England, or Protestant Episcopal), as by Law established, but to other Dissenters, who had equal right with Presbyterians." (See *New Jersey Archives*, Vol. XVIII, pp. 269, 276-84, for a legal opinion in 1772 as to the legal status of the Presbyterian clergy in the Colonies.)

Possibly the long delay in securing a Charter during the post-war period is found in the unsettled state of the times, the war of the Revolution and the change of government operating to render an application for the same injudicious, owing to popular prejudice against the church as of English origin.

Positive action, however, was taken in the matter of securing a charter in 1795, as shown by the following entry:

. . . *At a Meeting of the Congregation of St. Michael's Church held on Monday the 26th day of October, 1795.*

Pursuant to due Notice given by Advertisements set up in three or more public places within the City of Trenton, for the purpose of incorporating the said congregation and appointing Trustees to take care of the Temporalities of the said Church—It was unanimously agreed that the said congregation should be incorporated and the same is accordingly incorporated under the authority of an Act of Assembly passed on the 16th day of March 1786.¹

¹An Act to incorporate certain Persons as Trustees in every religious Society or Congregation in the State; for transacting the temporal concerns thereof. Passed at Trenton, March 16, 1786.

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The Trustees to be appointed annually at the election held for the appointment of Wardens, Vestry & other officers—and to be known in law by the name of “The Trustees of St. Michaels Church in Trenton.”

Charles Axford

Abraham G. Claypoole

Richard Throckmorton—were

appointed to be Trustees 'till the next annual Election and did accordingly assume the name & title of “Trustees of said Church” in form following—

We the subscribers, having been this day duly elected and appointed by the congregation of the Protestant Episcopal Church in Trenton, Trustees of the said Church, agreeably to an Act of Assembly of the State of New Jersey, passed on the sixteenth day of March, Seventeen hundred and eighty six, Do for ourselves & our successors forever, take and assume the name of “The Trustees of St. Michael's Church in Trenton.” Witness our hands and seals the twenty sixth day of October, Seventeen hundred and ninety five.

CHARLES AXFORD [SEAL]

A. G. CLAYPOOLE [SEAL]

RD. THROCKMORTON [SEAL]

THE CHARTER DISAPPEARS

Presumably the incorporation was duly effected at that time, but, if so, the instrument, if placed on file in the secretary of state's office, disappeared later, for in the minutes of the vestry, August 29, 1817, it was reported that the Charter was missing and

C. Higbee, G. D. Wall and Z. Rossell were appointed a committee to search the records of the State for sd. Charter—procure a copy of the same and take such other measures as they may deem proper to effect that purpose.

On January 1 of the following year (1818) at a meeting called by the rector to enquire into the progress of the Committee on the Charter, the following appears:

Whereupon the Charter Committee reported that they had searched the State Records with care and could discover no mention of a Charter for St. Michael's Church—it was then

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ordered that the said Committee should prepare and draw up a Bill and present it to the next Legislature praying for a Charter of incorporation for said Church.

The following special act was passed by the legislature January 28, 1818:

THE CHARTER OF 1818

AN ACT TO INCORPORATE THE PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL'S, IN THE CITY OF TRENTON.

SEC. 1. BE IT ENACTED *by the Council and General Assembly of this state, and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same,* That the persons now acting and officiating as rector, church-wardens and vestry-men of the Protestant Episcopal church of St. Michael's, in the city of Trenton, and their successors, duly elected, in manner hereinafter prescribed by this act, shall be, and they are hereby made and constituted a corporation and body politic, in law and in fact, to have continuance forever, by the name and title of "The rector, church-wardens and vestry-men, of the Protestant Episcopal church of St. Michael's, in the city of Trenton."

SEC. 2. *And be it enacted,* That the said corporation and their successors, by the name and title aforesaid, shall forever hereafter be able and capable, in law, to purchase, have, receive, take, hold and enjoy in fee simple, or any less or other estate or estates, any lands, tenements, rents, liberties, privileges, franchises or other hereditaments; and also, goods, chattels, monies, legacies, donations or other estate whatever, given or granted to the said church, in any manner or way whatever, and further, that all the estate real, personal or mixed, now belonging to, or held by the said church, or to which the said church is in any manner entitled, shall be vested in and held by the said corporation, and their successors, forever, as fully, to all intents and purposes as if the same had been granted, conveyed, assigned, given, bequeathed or made to the said corporation: And also, that the said rector, church-wardens and vestry-men, of the Protestant Episcopal church of St. Michael's, in Trenton, and their successors, shall and may give, grant, demise, assign, sell or otherwise dispose of all or any of their messuages, houses, lands tenements, rents, possessions and other hereditaments and real estate, and all goods, chattels and personal estate and other things aforesaid, as to them shall seem

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meet; and also, that the said rector, church-wardens and vestry-men of the Protestant Episcopal church of St. Michael's in Trenton, be, and forever shall be, able and capable in law, to sue and be sued, implead and be impleaded, answer and be answered, defend, and be defended in all courts of judicature whatsoever, and all and every other matter and thing therein to do, in as full and effectual a manner, as any other person or persons, body politic or corporate, in this state, in the like cases can or may do—and that they shall have full power to demand and receive, and if need be, sue for and recover all former debts, rents and legacies, or arrearages of debts, rents or legacies, which are or may be due to the said church, or rector thereof, and to demand and take all deeds, books, writings or other thing which were heretofore the right and property of the said church, and shall and may forever hereafter have and use a common seal, with such, with such device or devices as they shall think proper and the same to break, renew or alter at pleasure.

Sec. 3. *And be it enacted*, That the rents and revenues, profits, funds, property, and interest of the said church and corporation, shall by the said rector, church-wardens and vestry-men, and their successors of a majority of them, from time to time be appropriated for the maintenance and support of the rector and offices of the said Church, and for the necessary repairs of the said church, the burial ground, tenements, buildings or other estates which now do, or hereafter may belong to the said church, for re-building the same if necessary or convenient and to such other use, for the service of the said church as a majority of the said corporation shall deem proper.

Sec. 4. *And be it enacted*, That the said rector, church-wardens, and vestry-men and their successors or a majority of them, shall and may make rules, bye-laws and ordinances, and do every thing, needful or requisite for the good government and support of the said church—all of which shall be entered in a book to be provided, and kept for that purpose: *Provided*, That the said rules, bye-laws and ordinances be not repugnant to the laws of this state of the United States.

Sec. 5. *And be it enacted*, That the vestry of the said church shall consist of fourteen persons, in addition to the rector for the time being, to be elected by ballot from among those persons who shall appear by the books of the church, to be contributors to, or holders of pews or sittings in the same, on Easter Monday

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of the present year and every year hereafter, by the major part of the contributors or holders of pews or sittings, met for that purpose: *Provided however*, That from and after Easter Monday of this present year of our Lord, no person shall be entitled to vote for officers, or be eligible to any office of the church (the office of rector excepted) who shall not appear by the books of the church, to have been a contributor or a holder of a pew or sitting, for six calendar months before such election; and in case of a vacancy or vacancies in the office of vestrymen or church-wardens of the said church, by death or otherwise, the vestry of the said church shall meet for the purpose of appointing one or more (as the case may be) fit person or persons to fill such vacancy or vacancies; public notice of such meeting being given at least three days previous thereto immediately after divine service.

Sec. 6. *And be it enacted*, That the said vestry-men so elected shall have full power and authority to elect and choose by ballot two of their number, to be church-wardens, on every Easter Monday hereafter, to serve for one year—who shall, at the expiration of their office, render a just and true account to their successors of all monies by them received and expended during their office, and pay over the balance to their successors, and on neglect or refusal so to do, it shall be lawful for their successors, to sue for, and recover the same, in the name of the corporation, in any court where the same may be cognizable with costs of suit.

Sec. 7. *And be it enacted*, That as often as a vacancy shall happen in the office of minister or rector of the said church by death, removal or otherwise, the said vestry and wardens shall choose and elect (nine of them concurring in the choice) some fit person, duly qualified to officiate as a minister or rector of the said church, agreeably to the constitution of the Protestant Episcopal church of the United States of America; and that any rector of the said church, chosen as aforesaid, when present at the meeting of the said vestry shall be president of said meeting, and entitled to a casting vote, in all deliberations respecting their proceedings (except relating to questions in which he may have a particular interest), and shall not absent himself from the said church (except in case of sickness or other unavoidable accidents), without their leave, and in case of the death or removal of the rector, then until the appointment of another, agreeable to the mode herein prescribed; the church-wardens

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for the time being, with the consent of the vestry-men, in vestry met, shall have the same power with respect to the collection and dispositions of the rents and interest of the said corporation, as are herein before vested in the rector, churchwardens and vestry-men, for the time being.

A. Passed January 28, 1818.

Reference, Laws of 1818, p. 35.

This is the Charter with minor modifications under which the parish is operating today.

SUBSEQUENT CHANGES IN THE CHARTER

New Jersey Laws, 1824, p. 13:

A Supplement to an act, entitled "An Act to incorporate the Protestant Episcopal Church of St. Michael, in the City of Trenton," passed January the twenty-eighth, one thousand eight hundred and eighteen.

1. *Be it enacted by the Council and General Assembly of this State, and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same*, That the word "fourteen" in the fifth section of the Act to which this is a Supplement, be repealed, and the word "seven" be substituted therefor; and that the word "nine" in the seventh Section of said act, be repealed, and the word "five" substituted therefor.

C. Passed November 25, 1824.

New Jersey Laws, 1862, Chapter LXXXIX:

A Supplement to an act, entitled "An act to incorporate the Protestant Episcopal Church of St. Michael, in the City of Trenton," passed January the twenty-eighth, one thousand eight hundred and eighteen.

1. *Be it enacted by the Senate and General Assembly of the State of New Jersey*, That the word "fourteen" in the fifth section of the act to which this is a supplement, be repealed, and the word "eleven" be substituted therefor; and that the word "nine," in the seventh section of the said act, be repealed, and the word "seven" substituted therefor; and that a former supplement, making the above words "seven" and "five," passed November twenty-eighth, eighteen hundred and twenty-four, be and is hereby repealed.

Approved March 7, 1860.

CHAPTER VI

TRENTON AND PARISH HISTORY TO THE WAR OF THE REVOLUTION

1750-1775

FROM 1750 (about) to 1773, the parish was served by three ministers, or rectors, viz., the Rev. Michael Houdin, 1750-1757 or 1758, the Rev. Augur Treadwell, 1763-1765, and the Rev. William Thompson, D.D., Trenton, Maidenhead and Allentown, 1769-1773.

From the departure of the Rev. Michael Houdin to the coming of the Rev. Augur Treadwell, there would appear to be a gap of five or six years, and from Mr. Treadwell's death in 1765, to the appearance of the Rev. William Thompson in 1769, there was another gap of four years. Doubtless during these periods, when the parish was without a settled pastor, there were occasional services, as it was possible to secure the ministrations of "supplies."

EPISCOPALIANS ATTEND PRESBYTERIAN SERVICES

It is also probable that St. Michael's congregation during the periods when there were no services in their own church, attended those in the Presbyterian church. Indeed there is a record of vestrymen and other parishioners uniting with the Presbyterians in 1769 in an agreement to contribute to the salary of the Rev. Elihu Spencer, who was called to that Church in the above year.

The following are mentioned in Hall, *History of the Presbyterian Church in Trenton*, (p. 140), as subscribers to this agreement:

Elijah Bond, Abraham Cottnam, Isaac DeCou, Michajah How, Dunlap Adams, Joseph Higbee, Isaac Pearson, Daniel Coxe, William Pidgeon, Robert Lettis Hooper, John Clunn, Robert Singer and Francis Witt, all of whose names appear on the vestry of St. Michael's Church during the early period. Besides these there were Samuel Henry and Samuel Tucker, the



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first of whom was certainly a churchman, and the second had at least strong Episcopal leanings, since he left a legacy to St. Michael's Church, and both he and his wife were buried in the old Hopewell graveyard.

The observation (p. 157) in Hall, *History of the Presbyterian Church in Trenton*, relative to the matter, probably furnishes the explanation:

. . . At a time when neither the Episcopalians nor Presbyterians were strong enough to maintain pastors for the exclusive services of their own Churches, a number were accustomed to hold pews in both, that they might have the opportunity of worship in one or the other place every Lord's Day. There seems to have been no difficulty even in holding offices alternately in both. . . .

TRENTON A MERE VILLAGE AT THIS PERIOD

Trenton at this period was a mere hamlet of perhaps five hundred souls, and of course all the inhabitants knew each other intimately, and were closely associated in business and social life.

Peter Kalm, writing in his diary under date October 28, 1748, (p. 220), says:

Trenton is a long narrow town, situate at some distance from the river Delaware, on a sandy plain; it belongs to New Jersey, and they reckon it thirty miles from Philadelphia. . . . The houses are partly built of stone, though most of them are made of wood or planks, commonly two stories high, together with a cellar below the building, and a kitchen under ground, close to the cellar. The houses stand at a moderate distance from one another. They are commonly built so that the street passes along one side of the houses, while gardens of different dimensions bound the other side; in each garden is a draw-well; the place is reckoned very healthy. Our landlord told us, that twenty-two years ago, when he first settled here, there was hardly more than one house; but from that time Trenton has increased so much, that there are at present near a hundred houses.

The statement of the landlord to the effect that twenty-two years previously (1726) when he first settled in Trenton "there was hardly more than one house" may be charitably set down

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to a "lapse of memory," if not to be regarded as an instance of the proverbial garrulity of an inn-keeper in seeking to impress a foreign visitor with the vast changes that had taken place in the community within his own experience. The map of the survey made by Emley in 1714 previously alluded to shows the presence at that time of seventeen buildings adjacent to the Assanpink Creek.

Stryker in his pamphlet, *Trenton One Hundred Years Ago*, estimated that in 1776 there were not more than one hundred houses in the village, thirty below the Assanpink Creek and seventy above. (See Appendix L, "Where Some Trentonians Lived One Hundred and Fifty Years Ago.")

The Rev. Arthur Burnaby, an English clergyman, describes Trenton in 1759, as "containing about a hundred houses. It has nothing remarkable: there is a Church (of England) a Quakers' and a Presbyterian meeting-house and barracks for three hundred men." (*Travels through the Middle Settlements in North America*, etc., in 1759 and 1760.)

Rev. Manassah Cutler's description (1787) of Trenton given in *Proceedings of New Jersey Historical Society*, (1873, p. 93), is as follows:

There is only one small meeting house and one Church in this town. I therefore conclude that the people are not much disposed to attend public worship for the two houses I presume are not sufficient to hold one third of the inhabitants. . . .

This town with Lamberton which joins it on the south contains upwards of 200 houses besides public buildings.

In the *Travels of the Duc de la Rochefoucauld Liancourt in 1795-7*, Trenton is said to contain about three hundred houses; most of which are of wood (p. 59). (*Travels*, Translated by Newman, London, 1799, I, 594.)

MINUTES OF THE VESTRY 1755-1775

In the first minutes of the vestry, April 30, 1755, the Rev. Michael Houdin (Eudang, so spelled) is recorded as present, but in the minutes of 1761, it is stated "no Rector present."

In the minutes April 4, 1763, the Rev. Mr. Treadwell, rector, is recorded as present, as also on April 23, 1764, and April 8, 1765. He died August 19 of the same year, and at the vestry

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meeting April 28, 1770, a bill was presented for his funeral expenses amounting to £11:17:7.

The name of the Rev. William Thompson appears first on the minutes April 28, 1770, again on April 1 and August 12, 1771, and January 6, 1772, February 28 and August 12, 1773.

The first mention of the Rev. George Panton who was rector when the war broke out is at the meeting April 11, 1774, and subsequently his name appears October 30, 1774, April 12, 1775, April 8, 1776, and for the last time July 7, 1776.

GLEANINGS FROM THE MINUTES

The minutes of the vestry up to July 1776 show that little business of importance was transacted, except as to matters heretofore mentioned, which concern the deed for the church property, the movement to obtain a charter, the suit in respect to the Maidenhead "Town Lot," and the addition to the church of a cupola and gallery.

Some extracts from the minutes relating to other matters are submitted, as shedding an interesting side light upon the parochial life of these early days.

This in regard to the pews, under date April 30, 1755:

Agreed that no person shall from this present day have a seat built in the Church unless they pay the sum of Ten Pounds, or else a yearly Rent, valued by the Church wardens, unless Mr. Jno. Dagworthy & Mr. Allen which have already complied with above sum. And it is likewise ordered.

Agreed that no pews shall extend beyond the last Pillar of ye west end of the Church.

Ordered and agreed that all pews that shall be built from this day are to be laid out by Mr. Chas. Axford in a regular manner.

Ordered that the Pews built by Joseph Tucker by order of the Church Wardens and vestry shall be measured and valued by Mr. Chas. Axford.

AS TO CHURCH COLLECTIONS

This in reference to collections, under date March 23, 1761:

It's ordered that the Church wardens for the time being make a collection on every Sunday morning and not oftener and pay the same to the Treasurer for the time being.

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As to payment of the salaries of the rector and others under date April 4, 1763:

Ordered that Rev. Mr. Treadwell shall receive £30, pounds sterling from the Congregation annually from the day of his arrival: that the yearly sum of £40 pounds proclamation money be paid him, for his Diet and Lodgings, until a proper House & Parsonage shall be provided for him.

The Clerk shall receive £5 pounds, yearly

The sexton shall receive £3 pounds, yearly.

FINANCIAL MATTERS

Here is a statement as to financial matters, under date April 28, 1770:

Messrs Adams & Williams, Committee report that there is due by the Church

To Daniel Cox	£12:18:3
To Mrs. Treadwell	23:14:6
To Furman & Hunt House Rent	13:00:8
To Do Funeral Expenses	11:17:6
1770 Paid To	
Sep. 12 Cash to Mr. Hunt for Fun. Expenses	£11:19:0
Sep. 15 Cash to Mrs. Treadwell in part	£17:11:7¼

SOME LIGHT READING FOR THE CONGREGATION

Under date April 1, 1771, there is given a list of books from the Society's (S.P.G.) library, for the mission at Trenton:

viz. <i>Pearson on the Creed</i>	Folio
<i>Patrick's Commentary</i>	4.v. Folio
<i>Stanhope's Epistles</i>	4.v. Quarto
<i>Prideaux Connection</i>	4.v. Quarto

CONCERNING THE FREE SCHOOL

Under date August 12, 1771:

The Rev. Wm. Thompson and Danl. Cox Esqs are chosen Trustees for this Congregation to Visit the Free-school and do all such things as to them shall appear serviceable for sd. school in this town.

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MORE ABOUT THE PEWS AND CUPOLA, A NEW BELL

January 26, 1772:

Ordered that Mr. Cox be added to Mr. Barnes and Mr. Adams to be a Committee to build as many new pews as can be made in the Church And to Alter or pull down the Cupola, as they think best.

Ordered that a subscription be entered into to build a cupola or Belfrey & hang a Bell presented to this Ch. by Chas. Cox Esqr.

PROPOSITION FOR A JOINT LOTTERY WITH THE PRESBYTERIANS

Under date February 28, 1773:

A Proposition being made by some of the Presbyterian meeting to Join in a Scheme of a Lottery for raising a sum of Money for the mutual Advantage of both Church and Presbyterians in the Town of Trenton, & for appointing a Committee for that purpose who shall be also managers of the same. It is thereupon agreed and Ordered that Isaac Allen, Wm. Pidgeon, Chas. Harrison & Joseph Warrell shall be a Committee to confer with the Presbyterians on the Subject of a Lottery and be Managers thereof.

On three occasions the two congregations united to hold a lottery. In 1773 the consent of the assembly does not seem to have been sought. But in 1791, and again in 1794, a joint petition on behalf of the two churches was presented to the legislature, asking for the issuing of a license to hold a lottery. On one of these occasions it was stated that the Presbyterians were to have three-quarters of the proceeds because they were building a new church, and St. Michael's one-quarter because it was only making some repairs and additions.

It is interesting to note that the joint petitions of 1791 and 1794 were both acted upon adversely by the legislature. (*New Jersey Archives*, Vol. XXVIII, p. 52. *Proceedings of Legislative Council*, November 14, 1791, and January 11, 1794.) (See Appendix J.)

CHAPTER VII

MINISTERS AND RECTORS OF ST. MICHAEL'S CHURCH TO THE WAR OF THE REVOLUTION

THE REV. MICHAEL HOUDIN 1750-1757

THE REV. AUGUR TREADWELL 1763-1765

THE REV. WILLIAM THOMPSON 1769-1773

WHAT is known concerning the early rectors of St. Michael's is here set forth.

The Rev. Michael Houdin, (pronounced "Eudang," and so spelled in the minutes of the vestry):

MICHAEL HOUDIN

Bolton, *History of Westchester County* (N.Y.) Vol. L, pp. 647ff.

Rev. Michael Houdin, A.M. Born in France, 1705, and bred a Franciscan friar. On Easter Day in 1730, he was ordained priest by the Archbishop of Trèves, and afterwards preferred to the office of superior of a convent of Recollects or Franciscan friars, at Montreal, Canada. Disgusted with monastic life, he left Canada and retired to the city of New York, where on Easter Day, 1747, he made a public renunciation of the errors of popery, and joined himself to the Church of England.

In June, 1750, he was invited by the inhabitants of Trenton, and other places in New Jersey, to go and officiate among them, whereupon he addressed a letter to the Venerable Society, from which we extract the following:

Mr. Houdin to the Secretary.

Trenton, New Jersey, Nov. 1st, 1750

REV. SIR:

Having my residence at New York, I heard of repeated complaints made by gentlemen and principle inhabitants of this place, Allen's Town and Borden's Town, it being for many years past destitute of a Church of England minister, and without any sort of application of mine, about five months ago some of them were pleased to press me by letter to come amongst them. I, being then conscious to myself that I had no license from the Lord Bishop, or sanction from the Society, I deliberated some time till I had consulted several gentlemen of the

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clergy in New York, the Governor and others, who unanimously advised me to go over to them, and hear their proposals. When I waited on them, I really found they were destitute indeed, there not being a minister of the Church of England nearer than Burlington. (N.Y.MSS. from archives at Fulham, Vol. II—Hawks).

To this may be added the following, from the Society's abstracts for 1753: "The Rev. Mr. Houdin, having for some years officiated at Trenton and the neighboring places in the Province of New Jersey, among the members of the Church of England, upon such slender support as they, in their poor circumstances would afford him, with the addition of one gratuity of £30 from the Society; they have lately thought fit, upon the especial recommendation of the Rev. Mr. Barclay, rector of Trinity church in the city of New York, and of other worthy persons, bearing witness to Mr. Houdin's merits and diligence to the pastoral office, to appoint him their itinerant missionary to officiate in Trenton, and in the parts adjacent. . . . and by his letters of thanks to the Society, dated Trenton, Nov. 4th, 1753, it appears that he is usefully, and to very good purposes employed, he having baptized from the 13th of December preceding, forty-five children and five adults, after proper instruction; and at Amwell, a town within his mission, above two hundred Presbyterians and some families of Anabaptists, during the last summer, joined with the members of the Church of England in the public worship of God, and many of them observing the peace and charity among congregation, and the troubles and dissensions among others, contributed towards the finishing of the church, which, at the date of Mr. Houdin's letter, he blesses God, was then quite done." (*Printed Abstracts of Ven. Prop. Soc. for 1753.*)

In the year 1759 Mr. Houdin accompanied the celebrated General Wolfe in his expedition against Quebec as a guide, which appears from the subjoined extract:

"The Rev. Mr. Houdin, the Society's itinerant missionary in New Jersey, intreats the Society in his letter dated Quebec, 23d. 1750 [1760], that his absence from his mission may not bring him under their displeasure, as he was in some measure forced to it in obedience to the commands of Lord Loudon, and other succeeding commanders, who depended much on his being well acquainted with that country. And after the reduction of Quebec, he asked leave to return to his mission, but General

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Murray ordered him to stay, telling him that there was no other person could be depended on for intelligence of the French proceedings, and promised to acquaint the Society therewith." Mr. Houdin adds: "that himself, as well as the public, hath received a great loss by the death of the brave General Wolfe (Gen. Wolfe fell in the Heights of Abraham, September 13, 1759), who promised to remember his labor and services, which are not so well known to General Murray; but he hopes the Society will take these things into consideration, and continue their kindness to him, and he will return to his mission in the spring." (*Printed Abstracts of Ven. Prop. Soc. 15 Feb. 1754 to 15 Feb., 1760.*)

Dr. Barclay, writing to the Secretary of the Venerable Society on the 3d of June, 1761, says: "Messrs Oglivie and Houdin are still detained by General Amherst in Canada. I shall take care to forward your letter to them."

It appears from the following notice in the *New York Post Boy* for June 4, 1761, that whilst Mr. Houdin was stationed at Quebec, under the command of General Murray, an attempt was made by the Vicar-General of Canada, to seduce him from his allegiance, by an offer of great preferment in the Romish Church: "We hear from Montreal that the Vicar-General of all Canada, residing at Montreal, has wrote a pressing invitation to the Rev. Mr. Udang, the chaplain of a regiment at Quebec, to return to the Romish religion, with a promise of great preferment in the Church, which Mr. Udang put in the hands of General Murray, who sent it enclosed to General Gage, who upon the receipt of it, sent a guard to take the Vicar-General into custody; what will be the issue, is not known."

Mr. Houdin must have returned to New York in 1761, for about August of that year, he was appointed by the Venerable Society to be their missionary at New Rochelle. With regard to this appointment, the Society's abstract says: "That the French refugees are, according to Dr. Barclay, a very orderly, sober, and religious people; to whom, at their earnest request, he had preached twice lately, and had administered the holy communion, and was much pleased with their devout behaviour. All this being maturely considered, the Society have thought proper to remove the Rev. Mr. Houdin, itinerant missionary, whose chief residence was at Trenton in New Jersey, to the mission at New Rochelle." . . . (*Printed Abstracts of Ven. Prop. Soc. for 1761.*)

TRINITY CHURCH, New Rochelle.

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THE REV. AUGUR TREADWELL

Yale Biographies and Annals, 1745-1763 (State Library), p. 679, shows that:

AGUR TREADWELL was the eldest son of Lieutenant Hezekiah & Mehetable (Minor) Treadwell, and born in Stratford, Conn., December 16, 1734. In August 1760 he conformed to the Church of England, and about that time went to Flushing, Long Island, as teacher of a small private Latin school, and as lay-reader in the Episcopal Church. The congregation in Flushing and in Newtown sent him to England in December 1762, to obtain ordination. He received orders, probably in April 1762, and was then appointed to the vacant mission in Trenton, New Jersey. He did not arrive in Trenton until about the end of the year 1762, and died there on August 19, 1765, after a serious illness, in his 31st year.

Ecclesiastical Records of the State of New York (State Library), Vol. VI, p. 3804: Letter from Rev. Samuel Seabury to the Society for Propagating the Gospel.

Church of Flushing,

Jamaica, March 26, 1761

. . . Thro Mr. Aspinwall's means also that Church (in Flushing) hath been constantly supplied the last half year with a Lay Reader one Mr. Treadwell a young Gentleman educated at Yale College in Connecticut of an amiable character & disposition & who intends to offer himself for the service of the Society and with their permission to go to England next autum. . . .

p. 3863: Letter of Rev. Samuel Seabury to the Society for Propagating the Gospel.

Jamaica, March 26, 1763

. . . About eight weeks ago Mr. Treadwell the Society's missy at Trenton, New Jersey, came into this Parish & passed through Jamaica, (within three quarters of a mile of my house) to Flushing on a Saturday . . . the next day the Church at Flushing was (as 'tis said) violently opened & occupied by Mr. Treadwell, the key being in my possession. . . .

Mr. Treadwell is designated in this work as an Anglican Missionary at Trenton.

Mr. Houdin was succeeded by the Rev. Mr. Treadwell, who continued as itinerant until June 25, 1765, when he acquainted the "Society [S.P.G.] with the generous donation of Mrs. A.

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Coxe who has given the Church of Trenton, a piece of Plate of 20 ounces, and another of Charles Coxe, merchant, who has given a bell of 150 lb. weight." Mr. Treadwell died that year and the Rev. Mr. Reading was appointed his successor but declined. (Parker, *Historical Sketches*, pp. 109-10.)

THE REV. WILLIAM THOMPSON, D.D.

WILLIAM THOMSON, D.D. Born, Pennsylvania, about 1735; ordained 1759. Itinerant, York & Cumberland Counties, 1760-9. Stationed at Trenton, N.J., & Maidenhead, 1769-73; resigned. Died in Maryland 1785. (*Missionary Roll S.P.G.* 1702-1892)

In May 1796 Rev. Wm. Thompson was appointed missionary to Trenton and Maidenhead. He arrived in June 1769 and reports "a kind reception," but adds that he "found numbers through long disuse of the Church service, very indifferent to religion, however since he came, the Church had been well filled on Sundays." He continued to officiate there until 1775 (*sic*) when he went to Maryland. (Parker, *Historical Sketches*, p. 110.)

CHAPTER VIII

THE MAIDENHEAD TOWN LOT

AS will have been observed, references appear from time to time in the correspondence of the S.P.G. missionaries and elsewhere, regarding a mission of the Church of England in Maidenhead:

Hopewell Maidenhead two churches supplied by one minister now vacant.

Whether the term "church" as applied to Maidenhead here and elsewhere, signified a church building, or merely a congregation, does not seem to be plain. Whether or no the "meeting-house" erected in that township in or about 1716 was originally a venture undertaken jointly by the Church of England people and the Presbyterians, or was the exclusive property of the latter, is a matter of conjecture. In any event, if it was the same building, it seems subsequently to have been regarded as belonging to the Presbyterians, for a note in the *S.P.G. Records* (p. 55) says:

At Maidenhead while there was no Church building, the dissenters meeting house was placed at the disposal of the Rev. A. Treadwell in 1763 for church services.

It is not intended to enter here upon any discussion of the vexed question of the Maidenhead "Town Lot," except in so far as it bears upon the interest which St. Michael's Church may be supposed to have once had in the property.

Referring to the bequest of land by Daniel Coxe, for the use of the Church of England people in Maidenhead, the following passage occurs in a letter of the Rev. Mr. Lindsay to the S.P.G., quoted in Parker, *Historical Sketches* (p. 109):

In 1739 Col Daniel Cox devised one hundred acres in Maidenhead, (known as the "town lot") for the "use of an Episcopal Church erected or hereafter to be erected in the township of Maidenhead."

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This statement is in accordance with the provisions of the will previously referred to, and doubtless has a relation to the suit for ejectment instituted in 1774, by the vestry of St. Michael's Church against the trustees of the Presbyterian Church in Maidenhead.

Minutes of the vestry, October 30, 1774

Ordered that Mr. Robert Pearson and Mr. — Enter Security in a Writ of Error brought by John Denn upon the demise of the surviving trustee of the Maidenhead Church lot against William Updike, John Anderson, Walter Smith and Samuel Phillips defendants and the Church wardens & vestry do hereby agree to indemnify the said securitys from any costs or damage that may happen to them in consequence of their entering into the security aforesaid, and to pay the cost that may accrue upon the actions of Ejectments commenced in the Supreme Court for the recovery of the said Lot.

It is evident from the following minute that the S.P.G. had made some inquiry in regard to the "glebe" in Maidenhead.

Minutes of the Vestry, April 24, 1775

Ordered that Mr. Coxe & Mr. Allen be a Committee to answer & state to the Hon Society an Answer to their request communicated by their Secretary respecting the Glebe of Maidenhead.

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The first of these resolutions would seem to indicate that the case had gone against the vestry in the lower court, and that security was given in order that an appeal might be taken to the upper court.

It would appear that this suit was never pressed, since there is no evidence of any decision rendered in the supreme court records of that period.

During the Revolutionary War St. Michael's Church was closed for seven years, and the vestry ceased to function. Owing to the civil disturbances of those times, when the Episcopalians, as identified with the Church of England, were popularly regarded with suspicion, as inclined to toryism, the vestry probably deemed it inexpedient to press their claims, and afterwards

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during the reconstruction period the matter was ignored, perhaps out of a natural desire to avoid any causes of irritation. At least there is no further reference to the matter in the minutes of the vestry.

Thus, whatever may have been the original rights of the Episcopalians in the "Town Lot" in Maidenhead, they were suffered to lapse.

In the *History of Burlington and Mercer Counties* (Woodward and Hageman, 1886, p. 849), there is a reference to an old document which recites the holding of a public sale in 1730, of the Maidenhead "Town Lot":

At a public Town-meeting

Memorandum: It is agreed by the Inhabitants of Maidenhead yt the Town-Lot is to be sold to the Highest Bidder by the way of public vendue, and ye purchaser to keep ye money in his hand for six months from the date of these presents without Interest, he giving Bound and Security if required under penalty of one Hundred pounds proclamation money, and ye price of ye sd Lot to be laid out for a parsonage for a Presbyterian society for the use of the Town of Maidenhead as witness our Hands this Sixth day of November, 1730.

In the same work above referred to, there is printed a letter from the Rev. A. Gosman, pastor (1886) of the Lawrenceville Presbyterian Church, in which he offers the following explanation relative to the possible interest which St. Michael's Church may have had in the property:

I find that in 1730 there was an attempt made by the people of the town to sell the "town lot" and appropriate the money for a parsonage for the use of the Presbyterian Society in the town of Maidenhead, but this effort was unsuccessful owing to a failure on the part of the town to make a good title and that in the same year three days later, it was sold at public sale, the money to be used as the majority of the town should determine. If the majority voted that it should go as proposed in the first sale or if, as is possible, the lot itself was placed by vote in the hands of the trustees of the Presbyterian Society this would explain how the town lot came into the possession of our Church and was defended by the trustees of the Church in 1778 [1774] in a suit brought to regain it by St. Michael's Church of Trenton. . . .

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Whether the entry in the minutes of the vestry, October 30, 1774, refers to the transaction of 1730, or rather to the gift of land under the will of Daniel Coxe, made in 1737, does not seem to be plain.

The whole subject of the "Town Lot" is involved in obscurity, complicated as it is by the original grant to the inhabitants of Maidenhead, made by Bass and Revell in 1698, which property, or a portion of it, was also designated as the "Town Lot" in 1730, nine years before the will of Daniel Coxe went into effect.

There is an extended dissertation upon the subject of the Maidenhead "Town Lot" in an article on the "Phillips Family," in *Mercer County, New Jersey* (Vol. I, pp. 69-72).

The author of this article says in regard to its location:

. . . this lot appears to have been what is known as the Dey farm, immediately in the rear of the Stony Quarry, just off the Old Post road, and in the rear of the farm lately owned by Joseph R. Scudder and bounded on one side by the Cold Soil road that formally came out of the Hunt mansion, east of Eight mile Run. It is not known that any meeting house or other building was erected on this spot (*ibid.*, pp. 71, 72).

Perhaps Daniel Coxe, in making his will in 1737, devising one hundred acres known as the "Town Lot" for the use of the Episcopal Church, was assuming, as his own, real estate to which his title was disputed. In his will he left 15,000 acres in Maidenhead township to his son William. There is a note (*N. J. Archives*, XI, 400-31) to the effect that "when he (Daniel) asserted his ownership to the 30,000 acres and the 15,000 acres in Hopewell and Maidenhead, he was threatened with assassination."

Hall, in his *History of the Presbyterian Church in Trenton*, (p. 15), speaking of the deed given in 1698, to certain inhabitants of Maidenhead Township, says:

The strong presumption is that from the beginning this was a Presbyterian Congregation and, that although the precise year in which a church was erected on the ground thus conveyed cannot be ascertained, the first house of worship for any denomination in the two townships was that at Maidenhead now Lawrenceville. . . . There is positive evidence of its existence three years later (1716) for in the records of the Court of Sessions for Hunterdon County dated Tuesday June 5, 1716, is the

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entry: "Proclamation made and the Court adjourned to the meeting house in Maidenhead in half an hour."

Since there was from very early days, a group of Church of England colonists in Maidenhead, and services were conducted there by agents of the S.P.G. as early as Talbot's time (1705), perhaps the presumption is not so strong as Dr. Hall thought. It might well be that the land was held jointly, or as community property, and that the church or meeting house built in 1716 originally served both congregations, as ministers of either body were available, and subsequently, as the Presbyterians tended to predominate in the place, came to be recognized as their exclusive possession.

It may also be urged that it is unlikely the land conveyed to the inhabitants of Maidenhead in 1698, by Jeremiah Bass and Thomas Revell, for church purposes, was for the exclusive use of the Presbyterians, since the property was virtually a gift on the part of the grantors, the consideration stated in the deed being only nominal, viz.: five shillings. Both Bass and Revell are known to have been churchmen, and were subsequently among the incorporators of St. Mary's Church, Burlington, and wardens of the same. As such, it can hardly be supposed that they would be likely to ignore the interests of their own co-religionists in favor of dissenters.

The fact that the deed mentions no special religious body, but conveys the land to a certain group "for the accommodation and service of the township of Maidenhead . . . for the erecting of a meeting house and for burying-ground and school-house," has no special significance, since in the Hutchinson deed of 1703 for the Hopewell Church likewise no denomination is specified, though we know from other sources that the Hopewell Church from the very first belonged exclusively to the Church of England.

The deed of Bass and Revell is printed in full in Appendix III (p. 371) in Hall, *History of the Presbyterian Church in Trenton*.

CHAPTER IX

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SUFFERINGS OF THE CLERGY

DISASTROUS times were now in store for the Episcopal Church in the American colonies. As a part of the Established Church of England its representatives in the colonies came in for a full share of dislike and suspicion, even of active persecution, on the part of the advocates of separation from the mother country.

Notwithstanding the fact that many of the men most prominent in the movement for independence were lay members of the church, that fact did little to mitigate the popular feeling against it. Doubtless the active animosity, as popularly expressed, was mainly directed against the clergy as such, rather than the laymen, because in a special sense the former were the official representatives of the church, and thus more closely identified with the Crown. Moreover, the laymen were not bound by the same obligations as the clergy, since unless they were officials of the British government, they had taken no oath to support it. With the clergy, who, be it remembered, had all received their orders from the hierarchy of the English Church, the case was otherwise. As a condition of their ordination, they had taken an oath of the King's supremacy and, moreover, had promised conformity to the doctrines, discipline and worship of the English Church as set forth in the Ecclesiastical Canons and the Book of Common Prayer. To depart from these would have been, in the judgment of most, to break their solemn vows. (See Appendix K, "The Faith of the Signers of the Declaration of Independence.")

THE PLIGHT OF THE COLONIAL CLERGY

The rubric in the Ordinal for the making of deacons in the Church of England, sufficiently shows the plight of colonial clergymen in the decision that confronted them:

And before the Gospel the Bishop sitting in his chair shall cause the Oath of the King's Supremacy and against the power and

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authority of all foreign Potentates to be ministered unto every one of them that are to be ordained (English *Book of Common Prayer*.)

The oath has been deleted from the Ordinal within very recent times.

LETTER OF THE REV. MR. ODELL

A letter of the Rev. Jonathan Odell, rector of St. Mary's Church, Burlington, to the secretary of the S.P.G. under date January 25, 1777, may be taken as representative of the general attitude of the colonial clergy:

. . . Since the declaration of Independency the alternative has been either to make such alterations in the Liturgy as both honour and conscience must be alarmed at, or else to shut up our Churches and discontinue our attendance on public Worship. It was impossible for me to hesitate a moment in such a case, and I find that many of the Clergy in Pennsylvania and every one in New Jersey (Mr. Blackwell only excepted) have thought it their indispensable duty in this perplexing situation to suspend our public Ministrations rather than make any alterations in the established Liturgy. . . . (Hills, *Hist. of Cb. in Burlington*, p. 317.)

CLERGY INSISTED UPON PRAYING FOR THE KING

The *Book of Common Prayer*, let it be noted, required the offering of prayers for "The King," "The Royal Family" and "The High Court of Parliament." To omit these was felt by the clergy to be a repudiation of their solemn obligations, and hence they took the only alternative, closed their churches and intermitted their ministrations.

Of course it would be too much to expect that those who were struggling for separation from the mother country should have tolerated public prayers for the government whose authority they had formally repudiated in the Declaration of Independence, and against which at the time they were in armed rebellion. Neither, under the circumstances, could the clergy be blamed since it is obvious they were actuated by conscientious motives.

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NEW JERSEY A SPECIAL CENTER OF WARFARE

The province of New Jersey was a special scene of warfare, and hence perhaps the situation was more acute here than elsewhere. Trenton was indeed at the very center of trouble, now being occupied by the British forces and now by the Continentals, as the fortunes of war varied.

The sentiments of the inhabitants were mixed, according to individual self-interest, and as the cause of the patriots or loyalists was in the ascendancy. Between the two, the church and its ministers suffered hardship and persecution, and it is a wonder that the institution survived and was able subsequently to resume its corporate life and activities.

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It was the clergy who perhaps suffered most severely the effects of popular persecution at the instance of the disorderly and vicious elements attached to the patriotic side.

Bishop Leighton Coleman in his *History of the American Church* (Oxford Church Text Book Series, p. 41), in speaking of the perplexity of their position, writes thus:

Many of the clergy felt themselves to be especially embarrassed. They had learned to love their adopted country, and were very anxious for its prosperity; and yet they were under obligations of loyalty to their native land and its rulers. Nor could they fail to discern amidst much that was really patriotic, voices of self aggrandising propensities in the violent speeches and measures emanating from some of their parishioners. To maintain a strictly neutral position was very difficult, in some places impossible.

He continues:

In addition to these difficulties, there were others of a more directly personal or practical character. Stipends were reduced and bodily persecutions were by no means uncommon. The Tory Clergy were stoned, ducked in water, imprisoned, threatened with death. In one instance, at least, they were stripped, tied to trees and whipped. Cruelties were practised upon even the beasts belonging to such as were opposed to the Revolution. The Rev. Mr. Bailey, a missionary in Maine, writes:

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"My Presbyterian neighbors were so zealous for the good of their country that they killed seven of my sheep out of seven, and shot a fine heifer as she was feeding in the pasture." Some churches were used as stables for the Continental forces, organ pipes were converted into bullets, and altar vessels stolen and desecrated. At Fort Hunter, New York, a barrel of rum was placed in the reading desk, and the building was used for a while as a tavern.

THE CASE OF THE REV. WILLIAM FRAZER

An example in this immediate vicinity of the treatment accorded to the clergy is afforded by the case of Rev. William Frazer, an S.P.G. missionary settled at Amwell (Ringoës) 1768-1782. In February 1777 it was reported:

"At the time of this writing a party of 50 men from Washington's Army surrounded his house and fired upon the out-sentry of the Hessians"; and in 1778-79 the record is made: "Mr. Frazer has been stripped of almost all he possessed by the rebel army, and being too low in circumstances to remove is forced to submit to daily insults and threatenings." He, Mr. Beach at New Brunswick and Revd. Uzal Ogden in Sussex County, were the only missionaries in New Jersey that continued to perform duty during that war. (Parker, *Historical Sketches*, p. 112.)

Mr. Frazer writes (no date):

While the English Army was in this Province my house was almost every night search'd for persons whom I had never seen, the Bayonet presented to my Breast, and my Family more than once, Robbed of Clothing and other necessities; besides terrifying in the most cruel manner the dear Companion of my Life and Several small children. (Quoted *Pennsylvania Magazine*, Vol. XII, p. 221.)

The Rev. Mr. Frazer here alluded to, became afterwards, in 1788, rector of St. Michael's Church. His career will be detailed in a subsequent chapter.

In the Digest of the S.P.G. (pp. 55, 56) there is printed with comments the following communication from one of the Society's missionaries, showing the flourishing condition of the church in New Jersey two years before the outbreak of the War of the Revolution, and the disasters which the war brought:

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In 1774 Dr. Chandler of Elizabeth Town reported:

"The Church in this province makes a more respectable appearance, than it ever did, till very lately: Thanks to the venerable Society, without whose charitable interposition, there would not have been one episcopal congregation among us. They have now no less than ELEVEN Missionaries in this District; none of whom are blameable in their conduct, and some of them are eminently useful. Instead of the small buildings, out of repair, in which our congregations used to assemble 20 years ago, we have now several that make a handsome appearance, both for size and decent ornament, particularly at Burlington, Shrewsbury, New Brunswick, and Newark, and all the rest are in good repair: and the congregations in general appear to be as much improved, as the Churches they assemble in."

Ere two years had elapsed all the Churches in New Jersey were shut up, some being desecrated, and pastor and flock were persecuted and scattered. The existence of discontent had long been observed, and though unswerving in loyalty to the mother country, Dr. Chandler did not fail to remonstrate against the folly of her rulers in dealing with the Colonies. In 1766 he wrote:

"If the interest of the Church of England in America had been made a National concern from the Beginning, by this time a general submission in the Colonies, to the Mother Country, in everything not sinful, might have been expected . . . and who can be certain that the present rebellious Disposition of the Colonies is not intended by Providence as a punishment for that neglect? . . . the Nation whether sensible of it or not, is under great obligations to that very worthy Society."

That the Government might become "more sensible" of the Society's services," and at Length co-operate with them . . . as the most probable means of restoring the mutual happiness of Great Britain and her colonies," was his "daily prayer."

It pleased God that this prayer should not be granted, and long it was before His Church in America was enabled "joyfully to serve" Him "in all godly quietness." At Newark the Church building was used as a "hospital for the Rebels," who removed the Seats and erected "a large stack of chimneys in the centre of it." The Rev. I. Browne underwent "a long course of injuries and vexations," and in 1777 was "obliged to fly to New York," leaving his family "in the hands of the rebels" who sold his little property and sent his infirm wife to him destitute of everything but some wearing apparrell.

A meeting of the Vestry of St. Michael's Church in London on Sunday the 10th Day of July Anno Domini 1776.

The Rector, Church Wardens & Vestry of St. Michael's Church in London, deeply affected with the Situation of Publick Affairs by which among other unhappy Circumstances Ecclesiastick Liberty & Worship of a Church & the most Catholic & sincerest Principles has become incompatible with the Safety of the Crown of the Queen & Members of the Church and the Increase of its many Members to be attended with Impediments which for the Peace of the Church & Society they wish to resist. And as no alterations therein can take place but by a Particular Authority competent only for that purpose, In order therefore to avoid the Inconveniences aforesaid, The Rector Church Wardens & Vestry agree to a temporary Suspension of Publick Worship till God

In his Providence shall so order that it can be performed agreeably to the Principles & Constitution of the Church.

FACSIMILE OF RESOLUTION OF THE VESTRY 1776
CLOSING ST. MICHAEL'S CHURCH

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THE REV. GEORGE PANTON

ST. MICHAEL'S Church was closed by action of the vestry from July 1776 to October 1783 a period of seven years.

The following action, significantly taken at a meeting held Sunday, July 7, 1776, the day before the Declaration of Independence was publicly proclaimed from the steps of the Court House, gives the reason for the determination to close the church. Though set forth in guarded terms it is possible to read between the lines of the Resolution and recognize a note of protest and bewilderment.

RESOLUTION OF VESTRY SUSPENDING SERVICES

Meeting of the Rector, wardens and vestry of St. Michael's Church held on Sunday the 7th day of July, Anno Dom. 1776.

The Rector, church wardens and vestry of St. Michael's Church in Trenton, deeply affected with the situation of Public Affairs, by which, among other unhappy Circumstances, the Public Home of Worship of a Church of the most Catholic & Benevolent Principles has become incompatible with the safety of the Person of the Rector & Members of the Church, and the Exercise of it may thereby be attended with Inconveniences which for the Peace of the Church & society they wish to avoid. And as no alteration therein can take place, but by a Particular Authority competent only for that purpose. In order therefore to avoid the Inconveniences aforesd, the Rector, Church wardens & vestry agree to a Temporary Suspension of Public Worship 'till God in his Providence shall so order that it can be performed agreeably to the Principles & Constitution of the Church.

The "alteration" referred to concerned the obligation to include the "Prayer for the King" as set forth in the liturgy.

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THE RECTOR AND VESTRY

The Rector of the church at that time was the Rev. George Panton, and the vestry elected at the Easter meeting for the year 1776, were the following, as set down in the Minutes, April 6, 1776:

Wardens: Mr. (Isaac) Allen and Mr. (Elijah) Bond.

Vestrymen

Mr. (Robert Lettis) Hooper
Mr. (Michajah) How
Mr. J. Pearson
Mr. R. Pearson
Mr. (——) Carr
Mr. (John) Barnes

Vestrymen

Mr. (Daniel) Coxe
Mr. (William) Pidgeon
Mr. (——) Taylor
Mr. (Charles) Harrison
Mr. (——) Collins
Mr. (James) Emerson

SOME PROMINENT LOYALISTS

Of this vestry holding office in 1776, Isaac Allen, a warden, John Barnes, Daniel Coxe, and Charles Harrison, were loyalists and possibly —— Collins, Taylor and Carr, in addition, of course, to the rector, the Rev. George Panton, and thus obnoxious to those who favored the cause of secession from the mother country. The names of none of these appears subsequently on the roll of vestrymen, though Elijah Bond, Robert Pearson, James Emerson and Michajah How, who were members of the vestry in 1776, were again chosen in 1783, when the parish resumed its life. Allen, Barnes, Coxe and Harrison took an aggressive part on the English side, had their property confiscated and were permanently exiled from their homes. John Barnes, high sheriff of Hunterdon County, died of his wounds in 1777, fighting against the Continentals. Isaac Allen and Charles Harrison also took an active part on the side of the government, and subsequently sought refuge in New Brunswick, Canada, and died there. Daniel Coxe went to England and remained there permanently until his death in 1826. (See *Biographical Sketches* Series A.)

LOYALISTS UNFAIRLY TREATED IN HISTORY

It is the duty of the historian primarily to record facts in an unbiased manner, but it is also a part of his duty to interpret

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them to the intent that the readers may have an intelligent understanding of the motives and actions of the parties with whom his narrative is concerned.

Most of the writers of our American history books, especially the earlier ones, in dealing with the War of the Revolution, show a disposition to magnify unduly the characters of those who espoused the cause of the patriots, and to belittle and disparage those who adhered to the mother country. Certainly the loyalists in our histories are too seldom accorded fair treatment, rather are their motives aspersed, and their characters as men of honor and lovers of justice and liberty bitterly assailed. Nothing could be more unfair or more subversive of the actual facts in many cases. For example:

The men in the vestry of St. Michael's Church who, in 1776, threw in their fortunes with the royal cause, were undoubtedly at least equal in conscience and character to their associates who supported the cause of the patriots. It was a time that tried men's souls, and those equally intelligent and conscientious saw their duty differently.

DANIEL COXE A TYPICAL LOYALIST

Of those who favored the British cause many in New Jersey, and elsewhere, were men of position and substance, like Daniel Coxe IV, who had been appointed by order of the King to a seat in the Council of the Province of New Jersey May 1, 1771, and who assumed the same at Burlington on November 21 of the same year.

The Minutes of the Council show that, after his appointment in 1771, he was regular and faithful in his attendance until the close of that body's existence in 1773. He was a zealous Tory and in a letter dated July 4, 1775, viewed with prophetic foresight the cruel plight to which such as he would be reduced. "What then have men of property not to fear and apprehend, and particularly those who happen and are known to differ in sentiment from the generality? They become a mark for popular fury, and those who are esteemed friends to Government devoted for destruction. They are not even allowed to preserve a neutrality, and passiveness becomes a crime." (Nelson, *Biographical and Genealogical Notes*, p. 84.)

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THE RECTOR AND CONGREGATION RECEIVE THE THANKS OF THE PROVINCIAL CONGRESS

That the feeling against the Episcopal Church and its rector, the Rev. George Panton, had undergone a rapid change in a few months is evidenced from the complimentary resolution passed by the Provincial Congress and Council of Safety as late as October 28, 1775.

Minutes of the Provincial Congress and Council of Safety, 1775-6 (N.J.), p. 238.

(Trenton) Saturday, October 28, 1775.

The Congress met pursuant to adjournment. On motion made:

Resolved, That Mr. President be desired to return the thanks of this Congress to the Reverend Mr. Spencer (Presbyterian) and the Reverent Mr. Panton, for their polite attention and services during the present sitting: and also to the several communities who have been pleased to accommodate the Congress with the use of their respective places of worship.

THE REV. GEORGE PANTON

The Rev. George Panton, who came to St. Michael's in 1774, and whose ministry was abruptly ended by the war, was a man of character and standing. Compelled incontinently to leave Trenton in fear of his personal safety, he sought the protection of the English authorities and suffered subsequently the loss of his personal effects which he had left in Trenton.

He wrote from New York September 5, 1777, "That when the public services of the Church had in 1777 (1776) been suspended by Act of the vestry he went to Phillipsburg (Yonkers) where he resided until he had an opportunity of returning to Trenton with the Royal Army in December, 1776." (Parker, *Hist. Sketches*, p. 110).

(*First Report of Bureau of Archives, Province of Ontario, 1903, V. I, p. 53.* Compiled from the original rolls by Dr. C. E. Godfrey.)

"Evidence in the Case of the REV. GEORGE PANTON, late of Trenton of New Jersey

"Is a native of Scotland. He came to America in 1770 and in 1773 he was invited to the living of Trenton, at the recommendation of the Convention of New York, where he resided at the

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commencement of the Troubles. Says that in conjunction with Dr. Inglis, Dr. Cooper & Dr. Chandler, published essays in support of the British Govt.

"Produces Copy of a Petition to the Assembly of New Jersey from the Freeholders of Nottingham Township, N. Jersey, expressive of Loyal Sentiments & attachment to the British Govt. & desiring that they would use their endeavours to promote a reconcilliation with Gt. Britain & of their disapprobation of the conduct of persons concerned in the late disputes, Dated 20th May, 1775. Says he drew up this paper & had it signed by many respectable Inhabitants, in consequence of that he was obliged to leave the country.

"Produces a Letter from Dr. Inglis, April 5th, 1776, requesting the claimant to take care & carry a manuscript to Humphreys the Publisher at Philadelphia. This manuscript was a Loyal Pamphlet which had been burnt by the Rebels at New York.

"He joined the British Army at White Plains, before the action in October, 1776, & did everything in his power in Conducting & Assisting the Army & gave information of the proper persons to be intrusted & employed, he gave a sketch of the Country to Major Montessoro.

"He attended Sir Henry Clinton to Ft. Montgomery as a volunteer.

"He remained with the Army all the war and was apptd Chaplain to the Prince of Wales American Regt by Sir Wm. Howe.

"He left New York 1784. He received £30 pr.an. from the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel.

"Living was worth £80 pr. an. Pen. Curry. raised of a voluntary Subscription of the Inhabitants of the Parish.

"Surplus fees were worth £20 pr. an.

"Library—Left at Trenton when he fled. His books were destroyed by the Americans in December, 1776, at Rawle's defeat. Values his books at £60 Pen. Curry.

"Linen, Furniture & Clothing lost at the same time £32 P. Curry. Manuscripts, lost at the same time £100 P. Curry."

Raymond, *Winslow Papers*, p. 29, n.:

Rev. George Panton, M.A., of Trenton, New Jersey, and afterwards of Phillipsburg (now Yonkers), N.Y. During the war he was chaplain of the Prince of Wales American Regiment. At the peace he came to Nova Scotia and became S.P.G. missionary at Yarmouth.

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MILITARY RECORD OF GEORGE PANTON

Chaplain, Prince of Wales American Regiment, 18th January, 1778; retired 13th October, 1783. (Compiled from original rolls by Dr. C. E. Godfrey.)

ST. MICHAEL'S CHURCH AND THE BATTLE OF TRENTON

St. Michael's Church suffered depredations and injury both from the royal and the continental forces, as the two in turn occupied the town. The building was used as a barracks by the Hessian troops for some days previous to the Battle of Trenton, a portion of the Von Lossberg regiment being quartered there.

The regiment Von Lossberg, with a portion of the detachment of artillery, occupied the English church, now St. Michael's, and the house of Sheriff Michajah How, Col. Isaac Smith, Thomas Barnes and others, on King Street as far down as Pinkerton Alley. (Stryker, *Battle of Trenton*, p. 13.)

The Von Lossberg fusilier regiment . . . reached Trenton on the morning of December 14 [1776] . . . The Von Lossberg regiment immediately went into quarters on King Street, the same Street in which the Rall regiment was stationed, and there held the right wing of the cantonment. Some of the companies, however, were much scattered. The main portion, consisting of the body, the Von Loos and the Scheffer companies, was lodged in the English Church . . . (Stryker, *Battles of Trenton and Princeton*, p. 95.)

The detachments of artillery were quartered in the Methodist Church on Queen Street, nearly opposite Church Alley, and in the English Church on King Street. Each of the three regiments had two brass, three-pounder guns, and during the first three or four days' occupancy of Trenton these six pieces were parked in the Graveyard of the English Church . . . (*ibid.*, pp. 97-8).

. . . The Von Lossberg regiment made their formation under the poplar trees in Church Alley, on the north side of the graveyard in the rear of the English Church. . . . (Stryker, *Battle of Trenton*, p. 18.)

On the morning of Washington's attack, December 26, 1776, . . . he [Lieutenant Colonel Scheffer] sent Lieutenant Zoll to Colonel Rall, asking where he wished the Von Lossberg regiment, to be formed. Rall was just then mounting his horse and

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he told Lieutenant Zoll to have them form on Church Alley back of the poplar trees, and with his hand he pointed to the place in the graveyard behind the English Church. . . . (Stryker, *Battles of Trenton and Princeton*, p. 155.)

Trevelyan, the English historian, has some interesting and colorful notes on the Battle of Trenton, in which St. Michael's Church is mentioned:

Von Donop paid a visit to Trenton in order to examine the ground with his own eyes. He directed Colonel Rall to raise a small fortification at the Ferry and, as a matter of prime necessity, to erect a redoubt, with flanking angles for cannon, at the meeting of the roads to the north of the village. Rall made a show of acquiescence, and ordered faggots to be prepared for the construction of a battery; but, after Von Donop's departure, he stayed his hand, and his six field-pieces, instead of being mounted in embrasures where they might protect the approaches, were all parked near the middle of the town in a graveyard at the back of the English Church

Whether his men kept their muskets clean and bright, and their ammunition in good order, was of little moment to Colonel Rall; but of the regimental bandsman he never could either see or hear enough. The officer on guard for the day must march round and round the churchyard in front of the Commandant's windows with his men and musicians looking for all the world like a Roman Catholic procession, "and wanting only the cross, the banner, and the chanting choristers at their head."

(G.O. Trevelyan, *The American Revolution*, Vol. III, pp. 87-8.)

BILL FOR DAMAGES FILED BY ST. MICHAEL'S CHURCH

The following inventory of the damages suffered by St. Michael's Church during the war, filed in 1781, furnishes an illuminating commentary upon the destruction of property, and the uses to which the building was put.

ESTIMATE of the Damages sustained by the Inhabitants of the County of Hunterdon in the State of New Jersey from the Waste & Damage of the Troops in the Service of the United States, as appraised by Peter Gordon, Sidney Berry & Joseph Phillips especially appointed for that purpose in an Act passed at Trenton Decem 20th 1781.

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No. 46 INVENTORY of the Damage St. Michaels Church in Trenton Sustained by the American Army in Novr. 1777 Exhibited by Elijah Bond one of the Wardens:

1 Large Bell carried away.....	50:00:0
24 Pews of wainscot pulled down & Destroyed together with 24 pr. Hinges @80/	96:
12 Common Seats destroyed @10/.....	6:
200 panes Glass destroyed. Occasioned by the Build- ing being used as a Forage House.....	5:
2000 feet Boards round the Yard.....	8:
800 feet new pine Boards.....	3: 4:
400 Bricks 20/ Pulpit & Reading Desk damaged.....	2:10:
1 Large Door & Hinges destroyed... ..	2:10:

173: 4:

STATE OF NEW JERSEY }
HUNTERDON COUNTY }

Elijah Bond, late of one of the Church Wardens of St. Michael Church in Trenton being duly Sworn, saith that the above Inventory is Just and true to the best of his knowledge and that neither he or any other person belonging to the Congregation of Sd. Church have recd any Compensation for any of the above Losses as he verily believes—

Sworn before me this 5 Novr. 82

ELIJAH BOND

RENSSELLR WILLIAMS

STATE OF NEW JERSEY }
HUNTERDON COUNTY }

Charles Axford being duly Sworn depose & Say that on or about the month of Novemr. 1777 he this deponent passing by Sd Church and hearing a Hammering & noise therein went in to see the reason thereof, and there saw some people taking down the Pews and Seats in Sd Church and on enquiring the reason, was told that a Certain Doctr Brown, a Deputy under the Director General of the Hospital of the Army of the United States of America, had ordered the same to be done, that the Sd Church might be converted into a Hospital for the Sick and wounded of Sd Army; then this deponent said that the Pews & Seats might be taken down with less damage & waste, that what appeared to him at that time, whereupon the Sd Dr.

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Brown directed him (being a Carpenter) to take down the Sd Pews & Seats, which he did, and got them Carried to a Brew House adjacent for security & safety, but they was afterwards destroy'd & Burnt by Sd Army as this deponent verily believes.

Sworn before me this 10th
Day of June 1783

CHAS. AXFORD

RENSSELLR WILLIAMS

The above Book of Damages in the State Library.

There is nothing to show that this claim was allowed. Certainly it was never paid, if for no other reason because the state treasury at that time had no funds wherewith to reimburse the parish for the damages it had suffered. It is safe to say that the claim was never strenuously pressed by the parish, but was rather submitted as a matter of form and not with the expectation of receiving any settlement.

CHAPTER XI

BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCHES, SERIES A

1750-1800

IT is possible to form a reasonable conception as to the personnel of those who organized St. Michael's parish and built the church. The men who served on the early vestries, say from 1750 to 1800, to set a reasonable limit, would furnish the data. Certainly it may fairly be assumed that they, or perhaps in some instances, their fathers or other members of the family, comprised the original congregation.

The earliest indication as to the personnel of the leading members of the church, is found in the list of the managers of the lottery held in 1751, "for finishing the church in Trenton." Of the following names those marked * indicate persons whose names are subsequently found on the roll of the vestry of St. Michael's Church.

1751, June 20 (Advertisement) Colonial Documents 1677-1776)
Trenton Lottery for finishing Church in said town to be drawn under the management of *Robert Pearson, *Robert Lettis Hooper, *John Allen, David Dunbar, *Elijah Bond, *John Dagworthy, Jr., Daniel Biles and *William Pidgeon and *Daniel Coxe in Hopewell and John Berrian in Rocky Hill. (See Appendix J.)

PETITION FOR A BARRACKS

In 1757 a Petition for the erection of a barracks was presented to the general assembly of the province, "by Magistrates, Freeholders and inhabitants of the Town of Trenton." Among the signers are the following, who were then or subsequently became, members of St. Michael's vestry:

Joseph Higbee, Charles Axford, J. Warrell, Jno. Barnes, Thomas Barnes, Abraham Cottnam, and there also appears the name of Michael Houdin, at that time the resident minister of St. Michael's. The same and other names appear on other peti-

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tions, viz.: Dan Coxe, William Pidgeon, John Dagworthy, R. L. Hooper.

In the "Act for Building the Barracks," passed April 15, 1758, also appear the names of other vestrymen, viz.: John Allen and Richard Saltar. (See Stryker: *Old Barracks*).

AN ACT for building of barracks within this colony and for preventing spirituous liquors being sold to common soldiers without leave from proper authorities, and for other purposes therein mentioned.

WHEREAS it is found by experience that the admitting soldiers within private houses in this colony, during the winter quarter, is not only attended with a very heavy public expense, but many other pernicious consequences to private families, for prevention whereof for the future,

Be it enacted, etc.

(Laws of New Jersey passed at the session beginning April 15, 1758).

NOTE BY DR. CARLOS E. GODFREY

By the legislative enactment of 1758, five barracks were ordered to be erected in New Jersey, simultaneously at Perth Amboy, Elizabeth, New Brunswick, Trenton and Burlington. By a reading of the TITLE and PREAMBLE of the act, attached hereto, it will be seen that the barracks were erected exclusively to relieve the inhabitants of harboring soldiers, who were sent South from the field of operations for winter quarters.

This was the view specifically expressed in a letter written in 1758 by Sir Francis Bernard, then Governor of New Jersey, which I copied from his vast correspondence possessed by the Library of Harvard University.

SOURCES OF SKETCHES

These biographical sketches include the names of those who can be identified as members of the vestry, or parishioners, between the dates indicated (1750-1800). In most instances certain definite facts regarding such have been obtained from contemporaneous records.

The main sources whence this information has been gleaned, are Hall: *History of the Presbyterian Church in Trenton*, 2nd ed. Nelson: *New Jersey Biographical and Genealogical Notes* taken

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from volumes of the New Jersey Archives. The *Letters of Moore Furman*. Deeds and wills on file in the Secretary of State's office, Trenton. Stryker: *Books and Historical Pamphlets. Colonial Documents Relating to the State of New Jersey* (1677-1776), Parker: *Historical Sketches*, included in the reprint of the *Journals of the Diocese of New Jersey 1785-1815*. Researches—Carlos E. Godfrey.

As these notes or sketches represent, in most cases, a blending of the information gleaned from the above or other reliable sources, it has not been thought necessary to cite the authority for every statement, but where the reference is extended and the exact language quoted, the source is indicated.

At the solicitation of the author Dr. Carlos E. Godfrey has generously contributed valuable notes as the result of his personal researches, and the same have been appended to some of the sketches to their great enrichment. In some instances extracts from wills have been given where they appear to throw light on local genealogical or other features.

ADAMS, DUNLAP—*Vestry 1770-1772*. One of the subscribers to the agreement when the Rev. Elihu Spencer was called to the First Presbyterian Church 1769.

ALLEN, ISAAC—*Warden 1770-1776. Vestry 1771-1775*. A son of John Allen. Graduated Princeton 1762. Admitted to the New Jersey bar 1765. At the outbreak of the war he embraced the cause of the loyalists. In December, 1776, the family of Isaac Allen left their home in Trenton, accepted protection papers, and were ever afterwards considered subjects of King George. Isaac Allen was commissioned lieutenant-colonel commanding Sixth Battalion, New Jersey Volunteers (loyalist), December 3, 1776; commanding Third Battalion April 25, 1778; commanding Second Battalion July 24, 1781; retired October 13, 1783. He was at the siege of Savannah, Georgia, October 9, 1779; and commandant of Charleston, S.C., July to December, 1782. During the war all his property in Trenton, which was considerable, was confiscated. In the year 1783, having removed to St. John, New Brunswick, he resumed his profession as a lawyer. He was one of the grantees of that city and among other offices he held a seat in the council and was a judge of the Supreme Court. His death occurred in Kingsclear, N.B., October 12, 1806, in the sixty-fifth year of his age. He married in 1769, Sarah, daughter of Thomas Campbell of Philadelphia.

NOTE BY C. E. G.

Upon the organization of the Canadian Province of New Brunswick, Colonel Isaac Allen was appointed a member of the Council and, on Novem-

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ber 25, 1784, a puisne Judge of the Supreme Court. He died in October 1806. His only son, John (born June 27, 1784), was for many years a Judge of the Inferior Court of Common Pleas for York County, New Brunswick; for over twenty-five years a member of the House of Assembly; Captain and Colonel of Militia, and a member of the Executive Council before his death in 1875. His grandson, Sir John Campbell Allen, was Chief Justice of New Brunswick.

Colonel Allen's spinster daughters, Charlotte, Margaret, Anne, Sarah, and Frances, were put on the Compassionate Fund in 1821 and 1822 (W.O. 25: 3087, 3088).

Captain Peter Campbell, of the New Jersey Volunteers (loyalist), was his brother-in-law.

Proceedings of the New Jersey Historical Society, Vol. New Series, Vol. XI, No. 1, pp. 80-1. This is the January number of the Magazine 1926.

ALLEN, JOHN—*Vestry 1754-1763*.

John Allen, a churchman, has been a member of this Assembly, is well affected to the present establishment, of a good temper and always been instrumental in the service of the Government. (Colonial Documents.)

Justice of the Peace, Burlington County, August 19, 1732. High sheriff, Hunterdon County, vice Thomas Martin, May 16, 1750, also again May 7, 1760. Associate Justice of the Supreme Court, November 6, 1739. Allen was one of the managers of the "Delaware Island Lottery" held in 1753, for the purpose of raising funds "towards building a house to accommodate an English and grammar school and paying a master to teach such children whose parents are unable to pay for schooling." His name also is among the managers of the Trenton lottery 1751 for finishing the Church.

During 1757, John Allen had charge of the billeting of English troops and subsistence on the inhabitants of Trenton.

John Allen was the father of Col. Isaac Allen.

The burial of a John Allen is recorded in the Parish Register under date August 17, 1769.

AXFORD, CHARLES—*Vestry 1754-1774; 1783-1785*. His name is among the signers of the Petition to the Assembly in 1756-1758, in the matter of building the "Barracks." He filed a marriage bond October 13, 1735, to marry Rebecca Beakes.

AXFORD, CHARLES, JR.—*Vestry 1761; 1783. Trustee 1800-1803*. Freeholder of Hunterdon County, 1779; township assessor 1779 member of assembly, 1789; one of the executors of the will of Samuel Henry 1795 and appointed as guardian of Samuel Henry 3d. His bond was signed by Abraham Hunt and Isaac DeCou. He died in 1804.

BARNES, JOHN—*Warden 1763-1764. Vestry 1761-1776*. Son of Thomas and Elizabeth Barnes and a brother of Thomas Barnes. He was a resident of Trenton, New Jersey, before the war, and was high sheriff of the county of Hunterdon May 24, 1769, and again May 24, 1775, up to July 18, 1776, when he was superseded by the Provincial Congress of New Jersey, because he refused to execute the writs issued by its authority. His residence on Queen

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(now Broad) street, below Front, was used by General Washington as his headquarters from December 30, 1776, to January 2, 1777. On July 26, 1776, he accepted the office of major in the First Battalion of New Jersey Volunteers (loyalist). He was severely wounded on Staten Island August 22, 1777, at the same time Lieutenant-Colonel Dongan was wounded, and died August 31, 1777, much lamented as a worthy man, and a gallant soldier. (See Stryker: *N. J. Volunteers (Loyalist)* p. 32.)

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His widow, Mary Barnes, went to Nova Scotia with Colonel Isaac Allen's family in August 30, 1783. (Roy. Institution of Great Britain, Vol. 4, 318—N.J. State Library.)

BARNES, THOMAS—*Vestry 1763-1774*. Son of Thomas and Elizabeth Barnes, and brother of John Barnes; lived in a house on King (Warren) Street on the ground now occupied by the Third Presbyterian Church. He was a druggist. His advertisement of salves, ointments, etc., appears in Isaac Collins' *Gazette*. His will was proved October 31, 1783.

BREARLEY, DAVID—*Warden 1785-1790*. Was born June 11, 1745; licensed as an attorney April 15, 1767. He was surrogate of Hunterdon County March 13, 1771; Chief Justice of Supreme Court 1779-1789, and appointed Justice of U.S. District Court 1789, which office he held until his death.

At the commencement of the Revolution David Brearley entered the military service by being commissioned captain in the Second Regiment, New Jersey Continental Line, October 28, 1775. On November 28 in the following year he was promoted lieutenant-colonel of the Fourth Regiment, and transferred to the First Regiment on January 1, 1777. He resigned from this command while in service against the Indians in the Wyoming Valley to date August 4, 1779, to accept the office of Chief Justice. He was a member of the Convention that framed the Constitution of the United States in 1787, and the same year member of the Convention of New Jersey that ratified the Constitution; presidential elector 1789; an original member of the New Jersey Cincinnati Society, and Vice-President of the Society 1783-1790.

David Brearley was one of the commissioners appointed by Congress to settle the land controversy between the states of Pennsylvania and Connecticut, which held their court at Trenton, from November 12 to December 30, 1782. Their decision, which was in favor of Pennsylvania as against Connecticut, is known in legal literature as the "Trenton Decree." He represented St. Michael's Church in the diocesan convention of 1786 and was a deputy to the first General Convention in 1785. He was a prominent member of the Masonic order, being the first Grand Master of New Jersey. In 1924 the Grand Commandery placed a fine granite slab over his grave in St. Michael's Churchyard. He died August 17, 1790.

Stryker says of him:

He was soldier, a law counsellor, and a judge of eminently legal mind and high personal character. He was called from this campaign to take upon him the duties of chief-justice of the state. His diary still extant is a curious



THE HON. DAVID BREARLEY

1745-1790

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mingling, for months of drilling his regiment, today brisk skirmishes with the red-coats, the next day and the third day opening some Court of Oyer and Terminer. (See Stryker: *Indian Campaign of 1779*, p. 11.)

An extended sketch of David Brearley will be found in Keasbey's *Courts and Lawyers of New Jersey*, Vol. II, pp. 683-5.

BOND, ELIJAH—*Warden 1776. Vestry 1754-1783*. Was charged before the council at Perth Amboy in 1773 with having usurped the prerogative of the Crown by erecting a public ferry at Nottingham without license. In 1748 he was manager of a lottery to raise funds to build a brick steeple to St. Mary's Church, Burlington. In 1751, he was one of the managers of the "lottery for finishing the church in Trenton." He left a legacy of £500 to St. Michael's Church, the interest of which was to be paid to the minister in addition to his salary. He died in 1786.

ADVERTISEMENT OF THE "TRENTON FERRY"

ELIJAH BOND

New Jersey Archives, Vol. XXVIII, p. 534:

TO THE PUBLIC

Whereas a Ferry is erected for crossing the Delaware (about a mile below the old one, commonly called Trenton Ferry) so remote from the Falls as not to be molested by the rapidity of the stream, or rocks, and free from the inconvenience of Shallops laying so as to incommode the landing of the ferry-boats. The landing on the Jersey shore, on Mr. Bond's land, is on a smooth gravel bottom, at all times of the tide, so that there will be no difficulty in landing passengers on account of freshet or ice. On the Pennsylvania side, the shore is smooth, and a commodious wharf built, and the boats lie without being aground. The road leading to the New Ferry is very good, and the difference in the distance between it and the Old Ferry, from Philadelphia to New York, is but little better than half a mile, which the convenience of the Ferry will abundantly compensate. Gentlemen, &c. travelling towards Crosswicks, Allentown, Shrewsbury, Blackpoint, &c. will save near two miles riding. Good flats for horses and carriages, and small boats, are provided, and the public may depend on good attendance, by ELIJAH BOND, and JOHN THORNTON.

Trenton New Ferry, June 8, 1773.

RATES OF FERRIAGES

Footman 3d. Man and horse 6d. Horse and chair 1s. 6d. Chair and two horses 2s. Four wheeled carriage with two horses 3s. Ditto with four horses 4s. Ditto with six horses 5s. Cattle per head 6d. Sheep and calves 1½d. per head.

CLAYPOOLE, ABRAHAM GEORGE—*Vestry 1792-1799*. Was a revolutionary officer; captain in Patton's Regiment, Continental Line 1778; captain 11th Regiment, Pennsylvania Continental Line and transferred to 3d Regiment 1781. Retired January 1, 1783; an original member of the Pennsylvania Cincinnati; removed to New Jersey and transferred to the order in that state in 1789.

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CLAYPOOLE'S STORE ROBBED

The store of A. G. Claypoole, in Trenton was robbed. This is the 2d time within a few weeks. (*The State Gazette*, Dec. 19, 1797. 3x2.)

CARR, ———. — *Vestry 1772-1773; 1775-1776*. Unidentified. The names of Alexander Carr and Thomas Carr appear in the list of ratables, township of Trenton, 1779.

CLUNN, JOHN—*Vestry 1785-1790*. The will of John Clunn, Sr., inn-keeper of Lambertton, dated June 21, 1794, proved May 18, 1799, mentions his children, John, Amey, Margret and Elizabeth. It also directs that the testator is to be buried in the grounds of the (St. Michael's) Episcopal Church in Trenton. The widow of a John Clunn died in August 1781, aged eighty-three years, and was buried the same evening in St. Michael's Churchyard. She must have been the mother of the above. Several Clunn tombstones are in St. Michael's Churchyard, as follows: John Clunn, Sr., died November 27, 1798, in the fifty-ninth year of his age. Elizabeth, probably his wife, died December 5, 1823, aged 84 years, Margaret, daughter of John and Elizabeth Clunn, 12, 1815.

John Clunn was captain in the Burlington County militia and also wagon-master in the Revolutionary War. He lived below Trenton Landing in Lambertton, now a part of the City of Trenton.

FOR SALE

THE TAVERN IN LAMBERTTON

Long kept as a Public House by the subscriber. The house is well built of brick, has 4 rooms on the first floor, 4 on the 2d, and 4 on the 3d, all well finished. It fronts the Delaware, being on the street on the bank and the lot extends back to 2d street, having an alley on the north side running from street to street. Attached to the tavern is a stable, carriage-house, shed and other conveniences. . . .

ELIZABETH CLUNN

Lamberton, Dec. 26, 1810.

COLLINS, ———. — *Vestry 1776*. Unidentified. The name of William Collins appears on the list of ratables, township of Hopewell, 1785. The vestryman perhaps may be identified with Captain Albemarle Collins of the Light Infantry Company, which served as a Guard of Honor on the occasion of the Washington's Reception in Trenton in 1789.

COTTNAM, ABRAHAM—*Vestry 1761-1775*. Was licensed as a counsellor-at-law of New Jersey, at the November term 1746 of the Supreme Court. He married a daughter of Joseph Warrell, attorney-general of the Province, 1733-1754, and in 1751 was deputed by him to prosecute the pleas of the Crown in Middlesex County. He married, second by license, dated June 11, 1764, Elizabeth Ann Pearce. She was a daughter of Robert Pearce and Catharine, his wife, widow of Robert Talbot, and daughter of Jeremiah Bass, one of the last proprietary governors of West Jersey. His home was on the Pennington road near Calhoun Street, in the northern part of Trenton. By

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deed dated November 6, 1766, Cottnam bought of Dr. Thomas Cadwalader of Philadelphia, and wife Hannah, a tract of thirty-eight acres at Maidenhead, on the south side of Shabbacunk Creek. In the latter part of his life he removed to what is now the northwest corner of Warren and Bank Streets, Trenton, this property known as Douds' Dale becoming after his death the inn of Rensselaer Williams. (In Hall, *History of the Presbyterian Church in Trenton*, pp. 144-5 there is an extended sketch.)

COX, JOHN—*Vestry 1785-1790*. Not of the Daniel Coxe family, as their name is commonly spelled with a final "e." Moreover the Coxes appear all to have been ardent loyalists during the War of the Revolution.

He was Lieutenant-Colonel, Philadelphia Associators. He took part in the expedition which resulted in the Battle of Trenton. Stryker says "Colonel Cadwalader immediately sent out scouts and adopted such a course as the information gained might warrant. Adjutant-General Joseph Reed with Lieutenant-Colonel John Cox and Major Joseph Cowperthwaite went towards Bordentown in search of the Hessian pickets, but of course found their post deserted."

He was a member of the Legislative Council 1781-1782. Cox was a prominent churchman being a delegate from St. Michael's Church to the diocesan conventions of 1786, 1789 and 1790, and a deputy to the General Conventions of 1786 and 1789. While in Trenton the family made their home in "Bloomsbury Court." (See Appendix I: 6.)

In his account of the reception given to General Washington by the citizens of Trenton, in 1789, Stryker says that Mrs. Cox was one of the matrons in charge of the entertainment, and also that his two daughters participated. The family was then living in Trenton, but returned to Philadelphia the following year.

Mrs. Esther Cox, wife of Colonel John Cox, was the daughter of Francis and Rachel Bowes and was married to Mr. Cox November 16, 1760. Before the war he was a merchant in Philadelphia, but his health failing he removed to what was then regarded as the more salubrious district of Trenton. He returned to Philadelphia in 1790, and died there April 28, 1793. He was a man of the highest character and abilities. He and his family were in frequent social intercourse with General and Mrs. Washington. Mrs. Cox died February 10, 1814. (See Stryker: *Washington's Reception by the People of Trenton in 1789*, p. 91; also Mills: *Historic Houses of New Jersey*, "Bloomsbury Court.")

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THE INSURRECTION OF THE PENNSYLVANIA TROOPS 1783

The news that Trenton or Princeton was to be honored with the presence of Congress had traveled to New Jersey as rapidly as post-riders could carry it. When Vice-President Cox of the New Jersey State Council received on the 24th Mr. Boudinot's letter of the day before, he summoned to the FRENCH ARMS tavern a meeting of the inhabitants of Trenton and its neighborhood "who being justly alarmed at the daring insult offered to the Supreme Gov-

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ernment of the American Union, and being desirous of testifying their zeal in support of the Dignity & privileges of Congress" speedily passed resolutions which were forwarded to President Boudinot the next day by the chairman of the meeting:

At a meeting of the Inhabitants of Trenton and the Vicinity at the French Arms on Tuesday the 24 June, 1783.

Having been informed from undoubted authority that a most gross and daring insult has been offered to Congress, the Supreme Government of the American Union, by a number of lawless People in arms, assembled at the State House in Philadelphia on Saturday last.

Resolved unanimously that we think it our immediate duty to express our resentment and indignation at so flagitious a proceeding.

Resolved unanimously that we look upon tyranny and anarchy with equal abhorrence; and as we have, at the risque of every thing opposed the former, we are determined at the same risque, not to be wanting in our efforts to suppress the latter, on whatever occasion or under whatever form it may present itself.

Resolved unanimously, that we consider the support of Civil Government and the majesty of the Laws as among the first of Social duties, and riotous Citizens who disturb the public order and violate the dignity of the Union as the worst of Enemies.

Resolved unanimously that we feel the utmost cheerfulness in pledging our lives and fortunes to the Government under which we live, in whatever way our Services may be required, whether in resisting foreign invasion or quelling intestine tumults.

Resolved unanimously that we would deem ourselves highly honored by the presence of Congress, and by an opportunity of testifying our zeal in support of their Dignity and Privileges, should they in their wisdom think proper to adjourn to or fix their Residence in this State.

Signed by order and in behalf of the Inhabitants.

JOHN COX
DAVID BREARLEY
PHILEMON DICKINSON
SAML TUCKER
WM C. HOUSTON
SAML W. STOCKTON

THE COXE FAMILY

FOR SKETCH OF DANIEL COXE II, SEE APPENDIX H: 3

COXE, DANIEL, III—*Vestry, term of office uncertain.* There appear to have been two by this name who served on the vestry, one previous to 1758, and one as early as 1770, continuing until 1776.

The former must have been Daniel Coxe, III, eldest son of the Colonel Daniel Coxe, II, who died in 1739, and a brother of John Coxe, who gave the deed for the church property.

In 1746, Daniel Coxe, III, was named as one of the burgesses in the first charter of the borough, and town of Trenton. During the rioting in 1747, he was naturally identified with the Proprietary Party. His will dated January 25, 1750, names his wife, Abigail, daughter Grace Coxe, and son Daniel Coxe, the latter being evidently a minor at this time. The will was proved January

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2, 1758. His acting executors, Abigail Coxe, Grace Coxe and William Pidgeon, advertised in the *Pennsylvania Gazette* of February 2, 1760: "for sale his plantation Belmont (where the Mercer County workhouse stands), where he had lived, comprising 1320 acres on the Delaware River about twelve miles from Trenton with a fine mansion with four rooms on a floor and fire-places. Also two negroes, a man and a woman." He controlled a ferry and a fishery at the same place. He had a great deal of trouble with the settlers of Hopewell about their title, which they had claimed under a deed from his grandfather, but which he disputed. There was much litigation, and he said his life was threatened by the tenants he ejected. He died 1758, and was buried in St. Michael's graveyard in the tomb of the Coxe family. (Nelson, p. 84.)

(For a sketch of his life, see *New Jersey Archives*, Vol. X, 226.)

Of the witnesses to his will Michael Houdin was the first settled rector of St. Michael's Church and Pontius Stelle was a vestryman.

COXE, DANIEL, IV—*Vestry 1770-1776*. Son of Daniel Coxe, III, and a vestryman of the church at least as early as 1770.

"He was probably born April 1, 1741. He studied law, and was licensed as an attorney March 20, 1761, and as a sergeant November 15, 1772." . . .

In a letter dated Burlington, January 14, 1771, to the Earl of Hillsborough, Gov. William Franklin recommends for two vacant seats in the Council "two gentlemen who are in every respect the best qualified to serve his Majesty in that capacity of any I am at liberty to mention. One is Daniel Coxe Esqr. of Trenton. . . . He was lately in England and had I hear the Honour of being personally known to your Lordship. . . . He is a member of the Church of England." He was appointed by order of the King in Council May 1, 1771. He was a zealous loyalist, and expressed himself freely regarding the burning political questions of the day. His fine residence in Trenton was burned by the British forces and sacked by the Hessians, during their pursuit of Washington in December 1776, but this did not impair his attachment to the Royal Cause, for in 1778, he went to New York, where he remained until the close of the War, serving as chairman of the Association of Refugees. In 1780 Coxe was secretary to the British Commissioners appointed to receive and pardon repentant rebels, an office which proved a sinecure. He petitioned the British Government March 13, 1784, for reimbursement for his losses sustained during the War. . . . The British Government granted him on his arrival in England, in 1784, £500 annuity. The *Gentleman's Magazine* announces the death of Mr. Coxe thus "March 10, 1826. In upper Seymour street, aged 87 Daniel Coxe Esq." In 1828 his widow, Sarah, daughter of Dr. John Redman of Philadelphia, whom he had married June 5, 1771, brought suits in New Jersey for her dower rights in his property, which had been confiscated and recovered judgment therefor. (Nelson, p. 84, 85, 86 abridged.)

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COXE, DANIEL, IV

Native of New Jersey, late resident of Trenton, lawyer, member of His Majesty's Council. On the advance of the British Army to Trenton in 1776,

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he removed his family from his dwelling-house at Trenton to Philadelphia. The Hessians used his house in Trenton as their headquarters, the contents of which they ruined and ultimately destroyed the building by fire.

When General Howe took possession of Philadelphia in September 1777, he was made Magistrate of Police. While occupying this position he assisted in organizing the Corps called West Jersey Volunteers. Upon the evacuation of Philadelphia in June 1778, he accompanied the British. He retired therefrom with the British Army. He left his family, consisting of a lady and four children, who were supported by the bounty of their friends. In June 1781, he was by commission appointed Assistant Secretary to His Majesty's Commissioners for restoring peace to the colonies and continued so to act until December following, when he was appointed one of the commissioners and continued on duty as such until the close of the War.

Inventory of Losses—His mansion house grounds consisted of about two acres of land, extending two chains and one hundred links in front on Second Street, held partly by will and partly by purchase unto his own family.

507 acres Belmont Farm, situated ten miles above Trenton, on the River Delaware, and having a patent ferry. 495 acres of land, comprehending his Trenton ferry estate and patent; Douglas Farm; and Lamberton. His total losses estimated at 40,267 pounds, 11 shillings, and 6 pence Sterling.

He produces commission dated December 4, 1777, as Magistrate of Police of Philadelphia. Produces commission dated June 22, 1781, and appointing him Assistant Secretary to the commissioners for restoring peace. Signed by Sir Henry Clinton. Was appointed member of the Board of Directors for controlling the operations of the Loyalists at New York, April 21, 1780.

Colonel Daniel Coxe, grandfather of the claimant, originally possessed the mansion house and four lots of this estate and by his will of this date (March 21, 1737) devises the same to his son John Coxe, in fee, the four lots containing one acre. The claimant's father was named Daniel Coxe and his mother Abigail.

His ferry house was burnt by the British and at the same time his dwelling house was burned.

(Loyalists' Transcripts filed in England, New York Public Library, Vol. 38, 295).

COXE, JOHN—*Probably a vestryman*—who deeded the property to St. Michael's Church, was the son of Daniel Coxe, II.

John was named as one of the executors of his father's will in 1739. He was admitted to the New Jersey bar as an attorney and counsellor at the March term 1735 and the Supreme Court records indicate that he was a lawyer of much prominence, but evidently of a testy disposition, illustrated by the fact that he threw up a case in Chancery once because, as he asserted, Governor Belcher, the Chancellor, was not disposed to do him justice. He was an extensive land owner, largely from his father.

The will of John Coxe of Trenton dated April 8, 1753, proved August 28, 1753, names brothers Daniel Coxe, III, and William Coxe: nephew Daniel Coxe, IV, and niece Grace Coxe, children of brother Daniel: mentions that his father was deceased: leaves a legacy to Charles "commonly called Charles Coxe," names as executor brother William Coxe and Robert Lettis Hooper—Witnesses, David Cowell, Joseph Reed and Moore Furman. . . . As he makes

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no allusion to wife or children, he doubtless died without lawful issue and probably unmarried. He was one of the counsel retained to defend the Rev. William Tenent on his indictment for perjury 1743. (Nelson: p. 86, 87, abridged.)

DAGWORTHY, JOHN—*Vestry 1754-1755*. In 1732 John Dagworthy is mentioned among those recommended to His Majesty's Council for the Western Division:

"John Dagworthy, an honest bold man well affected to the Government; is of the Church of England, at present high sheriff of the county."

Governor Morris who was anxious to fix upon a permanent and more central place for the seat of government writes in 1740: "I have hired John Dagworthy's house at Trenton." This house was at the southwest corner of State and Warren streets. The Mechanics Bank now occupies the site. He married Sarah Ely.

John Dagworthy was buried by the Rev. David Cowell (Presbyterian). In the churchyard of the First Presbyterian Church is the headstone reading thus: "John Dagworthy Esq. died September 5, 1756, aged 70 years."

His daughter, Mary Dagworthy, was the second wife of Abraham Hunt.

His son John Dagworthy, Jr., was born at Trenton, March 30, 1721, and died at Dagsboro, Delaware, May 1, 1784. He married (1) Martha Cadwalader, daughter of Dr. Thomas Cadwalader; (2) Martha, widow of James Mitchell.

The Dagworthy House was subsequently occupied by Samuel Henry as his residence; and on April 1, 1780, it was leased by Mr. Henry for tavern purposes to Jacob G. Bergen who named it the "French Arms." It was occupied by the Continental Congress in 1784. (See Godfrey's *History Mechanics Bank*.)

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JOHN DAGWORTHY, JR.

Colonel John Dagworthy played a conspicuous part in the late colonial period, and in the Revolution. He and all the Dagworthy Family settled "Dagsboro" in Sussex County, Delaware.

It has been alleged that it was a question whether Colonel John Dagworthy or Colonel George Washington was to be selected by the Continental Congress as Commander-in-Chief of the American Army in the Revolution. This was replied to at length in the press by Dr. Godfrey, the account of which can be seen in the *Trenton Sunday Advertiser* for June 7, 1908.

DE COU or COW, ISAAC—*Warden 1783; 1788-1794. Vestry 1784-1787*. Was appointed high sheriff of Hunterdon County, May 24, 1772. He was admitted counsellor of law May 16, 1765. He died June, 1795, and was buried in the Friends' grave-yard at Trenton.

At a meeting of the provincial congress in Trenton, July 5, 1776:

"Isaac De Cou Esq. having resigned his commission as Second major of the First Regiment of foot militia in the County of Hunterdon, where of Isaac Smith Esq. is colonel, ordered that his resignation be accepted."

(*Minutes of Provincial Congress*, p. 492).

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Isaac De Cou lived at the northwest corner of De Cow Alley and King (Warren) Street in a house afterwards known as "Phoenix Hotel," which property was condemned by the City of Trenton to widen De Cou Alley into what is now West Hanover Street. It was torn down in February 1871. This house was occupied in 1798 as the official residence of President John Adams.

DE KLYN, BARNT—*Vestry 1785: 1787: 1791-1794; 1801. Trustee 1801.* Was a descendant of a Huguenot French family, and was born in the City of Boston, October 31, 1745. His parents were wealthy, and he enjoyed the advantages of a good education and the society of cultured people in the city of his birth. He married Mary Van Zant, a member of an old Knickerbocker family of New York City. During the Revolutionary War he engaged in the manufacture of woollen cloth which he sold largely to the government for army purposes. He succeeded in amassing a big fortune for those days. He purchased a large tract of land along the Delaware River near Trenton, and when Trenton began to be favorably mentioned as the seat of the national Capital he added largely to his holdings in the hope of acquiring substantial profits from the expected increase in land values.

In 1790, when it was definitely decided to establish the national Capital at Washington, De Klyn found himself facing a big loss as the result of his land speculations. He managed to weather the storm and in time more than recouped his losses.

In the *Trenton Gazette* of June 1784, Elijah Bond advertises "at public sale a farm on which Major Trent had lately resided within two miles of Trenton, and containing about seven hundred acres." This property is in the vicinity of Lamberton, and was purchased by Barnt De Klyn, and in November 1785 the mansion was destroyed by fire.

Subsequently he owned and occupied the red brick mansion known as "Bow Hill" in Lamberton, which is still standing today. Tradition says it was leased for a period to Joseph Bonaparte as a residence for his protege, Annette Savage. He died in Trenton in his seventy-ninth year. (See Mills: *Historic Houses of New Jersey* "Bow Hill," J. P. Lippincott Co. 1902; also Hall: *History Presbyterian Church in Trenton*, p. 142.)

ADVERTISEMENT

New Jersey Gazette, March 14, 1785.

"Barnt De-Klyn, at the corner opposite the Blazing Star, near the market, Trenton, has just opened, and now ready for sale, a large and general assortment of Dry Goods, Etc., Etc.

Dated March 7, 1785.

The above is continued again April 21, 1786, and later. This store was at the northeast corner of Warren & State Streets.

Trenton Federalist, September 6, 1824 (3x5):

Died—At his residence in Lamberton, on the 1st inst. Barnt Deklyn, Esq., aged 79 years.

Barnt De Klyn had only one child, a daughter, Catherine (Kitty De Klyn), who married for her first husband a young Irishman, Jeremiah Lalor, by

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whom she had several children. For her second husband she married John Beatty, a physician and an officer in the Revolutionary Army, and subsequently a member of the Continental Congress and also of the Federal Congress. He was speaker of the assembly and secretary of state. From 1815 to the time of his death he was president of the Trenton Banking Company and for twenty years a trustee of the College of New Jersey. The couple had no children. A great granddaughter of Catherine De Klyn through the Lalor line, now living in Trenton, is Mrs. Virginia Ashmore Armstrong, wife of Lieutenant-Colonel Samuel S. Armstrong of the quartermaster general's department, state of New Jersey. Mrs. Armstrong possesses a fine portrait of her ancestress Catherine De Klyn Lalor Beatty, by Thomas Sully the distinguished portrait painter, also jewelry, old silver, several valuable Chippendale chairs, besides other articles of historic and antiquarian value which belonged to her ancestress. (See Lee: *Genealogical and Personal Memorial of Mercer County*, "Lalor Family," pp. 194-7.)

EMERSON, JAMES—*Vestry* 1775; 1783. In the List of Ratables 1779, as householder. "James Emerson a soldier in the First Regiment Jersey Line, lived on the north side of Front St. west of Hunt's Alley." (Now Chancery Lane.) He was a merchant.

N. J. Archives, (2d Ser.), Vol. V, p. 199:

JAMES EMERSON

At his Store in Trenton, has for Sale,

Doctor Ryan's incomparable worm destroying sugar plums, necessary to be kept in all families, with directions for taking them. Also black and white flowered satten and white sarsenet, suitable for cloaks or bonnets, with white, stripe, and black India persians, black velvet, homespun broadcloths and linceys, linens and Russia sheetings, brimstone, indigo, and several other articles too tedious to mention, all which sell at as low a rate as the times will admit.

New Jersey Gazette, February 28, 1781.

HARRISON, CHARLES—*Warden* 1775. *Vestry* 1772-1774-1776. Charles Harrison was a resident of Trenton, and at the outbreak of the war embraced the cause of the loyalists, and became captain in the Sixth Battalion of the New Jersey Volunteers, December 16, 1776. He was taken prisoner on Laurence Island, near New Brunswick, February 18, 1777, exchanged August 20, 1778, while a prisoner in the Yorktown, Va., jail. He served later as a captain in the Third Battalion, then as captain in the Second and was retired October 13, 1783. He was previously commissioned captain in the Hunterdon County Militia on August 30, 1775, but resigned from the patriotic troops on July 8, 1776.

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CHARLES HARRISON

There was no claim filed by this person for reimbursement of damages either before the Commissioners appointed for that purpose in Canada

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or in England; and there is no record that he was a Grantee of the city of St. John in the Province of New Brunswick.

He was born in Ireland, and appointed from New Jersey in the military service.

There was another person (born in Ireland & appointed from New Jersey) bearing the name of JAMES HARRISON, who was a Lieutenant under Captain Charles Harrison; who served in the same organizations with Captain Harrison until the close of the war in October, 1783. What relation, if any, he was to Charles Harrison, I have failed to discover.

HENRY, SAMUEL—Though not a vestryman, was certainly an Episcopalian, and a strong supporter of St. Michael's Church, since he left a contingent legacy of three hundred pounds "to the Trustees or managers of the English Church in Trenton for the maintenance and support of an orthodox minister." In St. Michael's churchyard are the tombstones of "Samuel Henry January 9, 1795, twenty-four years." "Samuel Henry May 10, 1784, sixty-seven years." "George Henry, October 23, 1846, seventy-nine years." There is a fourth stone in the group, marked "Mrs. May Henry July 23, 1804, twenty-nine years."

Samuel Henry was a wealthy man owning extensive tracts in Nottingham and Trenton, including "the old iron works." He also held property in Pennsylvania. For a time he occupied as his home a house on the site where the Mechanics Bank now stands. In his will he left a property in Trenton to Mary Yard, daughter of William Yard, on condition of her keeping it as a comfortable home for his children during their minority; making special reference to the vacation of his sons when they should be students at Princeton College. Their names, however, are not in the Catalogue.

Samuel Henry fell under suspicion of disloyalty to the cause of the patriots in 1776. "A report of the Committee of Trenton" was made to the Provincial Congress July 10. Mr. Henry appeared before the Committee to hear the charges July 16. The next day "he was committed to the common gaol of Hunterdon . . . to be kept in close confinement until the further order of this Congress or future legislation of this State." On the 20th he made such acknowledgment that the Congress "for the contrition expressed in the above petition" discharged him from confinement, on his giving bond in the sum of 2,000 pounds "for the faithful performance of his parole, to remove to his mills in Trenton, and there or within a circle of two miles thereof, continue and not to depart said bounds, unless with leave of the Convention, or the future legislature of this State." (See *Minutes Provincial Congress*, pp. 489, 508, 511, 515.) (An extended sketch of Samuel Henry will be found in Hall's *History Presbyterian Church in Trenton*, pp. 155, 156.)

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This suspicion of "disloyalty" might properly be omitted for the reason that most every inhabitant of Trenton at the time was under suspicion, and Washington's aide reports that all the inhabitants had fled the town a day or so after Rall's defeat. (*American Archives*, 5th Ser., Vol. III, 1343-4; *Memoir of Lieut.-Col. Tench Tilghman*, 149.)

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General Dickinson's Letter to General Washington

Yardley's Farms, 21 December, 1776.

Sir:

. . . I have endeavoured to prevail with some intelligent person to go down into Trenton, but hitherto without success. If 'tis agreeable to your Excellency, I will offer fifteen or twenty dollars to a good hand, who will undertake it, if such a one can be found. People here are extremely fearful of the inhabitants at Trenton betraying them.

PHILEMON DICKINSON

His Excellency Gen. Washington.

American Archives, 5th Ser., Vol. III, 1343-4.

HIGBEE, JOSEPH, II—*Vestry 1761-1763*. Was born in 1720, the son of Joseph Higbee, I. He gave bond to marry Elizabeth Ely, December 24, 1742. One of the subscribers to the salary of the Rev. David Cowell in 1736 and also to the salary of the Rev. Elihu Spencer in 1769, both of whom were Presbyterians. His home was on King (Warren) Street. One of the original proprietors of the Trenton Academy 1781. He died in 1796 and was buried in St. Michael's Churchyard. His sons Joseph Higbee, III, and Charles Higbee served as wardens and vestrymen early in the nineteenth century and the numerous members of their families are mentioned among the parishioners in a list made by the Rev. W. L. Johnson in 1825. (See biographical sketches, Series B.)

THE HOOPER FAMILY

HOOPER, ROBERT LETTIS—It is evident that there were three who bore this name: Robert Lettis Hooper, I, chief justice of the province who died in 1739; his son, Robert Lettis Hooper, II, who served on the vestry and as warden from 1754, and died in 1785; and Robert Lettis Hooper, III, who served on the vestry 1783-1793, and was elected vice-president of the legislative council in 1785 and died in 1797.

ROBERT LETTIS HOOPER, I

Robert Lettis Hooper. Upon the death of William Trent, Robert Lettis Hooper, a member of Assembly, was appointed chief justice by Governor Burnet, on January 2, 1724-25. He served for three years and then at the March Term, 1728, was superseded by Thomas Farmer. He (Farmer) was removed from the Supreme Court Bench in 1729 and Robert Lettis Hooper was then appointed chief justice.

The second commission of Robert Lettis Hooper is dated at the Court of St. James, February 29, 1729-30. The original, with the superscription George R., is in the Library of The New Jersey Historical Society.

He continued to hold office until his death in 1738. His remains were interred in the city of New York.

(Keasbey's *Courts and Lawyers of New Jersey*, Vol. I, p. 276.)

HOOPER, ROBERT LETTIS, II—*Warden 1754-1761; 1774. Vestry 1761-1765, 1772-1773, 1775 and 1776*. Was the son of Robert Lettis Hooper, 1st. In an advertisement of February 18, 1752, occurs the name of "Robert Lettis

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Hooper, II, now living at Trenton." Robert L. Hooper, II, was a merchant of extensive operations and carried on business in Philadelphia and elsewhere.

May, 1759.

Robert Lettis Hooper has laid out lots 60 by 181, for a town in Nottingham township beginning on the Delaware at Trenton ferry, running as the road runs to the grist mills opposite Trenton, thence down the stream of the mills to the Delaware, thence down the river to the ferry, being the head of navigation, "where there is considerable trade extended from the city of Philadelphia, and great parts of the counties of Hunterdon, Morris, Middlesex, Somerset, and Bucks, in Pennsylvania, deliver their produce," and rafts of timber, staves, etc., come from 120 miles up the river. Offered for sale, or on lease for sixty years. Apply to advertiser or his sons Robert L. Hooper and Jacob Roeters Hooper, "living at his mills opposite to Trenton."

(See Hall: *History Presbyterian Church in Trenton* (2d Ed.), p. 66.)

The New Jersey Gazette, Monday, April 25, 1785 (3x1):

Died, on Wednesday evening last, in the 77th year of his age, Robert Lettis Hooper, Esquire, the Elder—and on Friday following his remains were interred in the Episcopal burying ground at this place, attended by a number of the principal citizens.

HOOPER, ROBERT LETTIS, III—*Vestry 1783-1793*. Was the son of Robert Lettis Hooper, II. He was deputy quartermaster-general in 1778, and judge of common pleas of Hunterdon County in 1784. "In August, 1785, the death of a stranger (Ebenezer Erskine) is announced at the seat of Robert Lettis Hooper near Trenton," and Mr. Hooper was one of his acting executors. A paper of November 7, 1785, says "Since our last Hon. Robert Lettis Hooper Esq. has been elected vice-president of the legislative council in the room of John Cleves Symmes appointed to Congress." "In 1796 died at 'Belleville' near Trenton. 'Mrs. Elizabeth, wife of Robert Lettis Hooper Esq.' " "July 30, 1797 died the Hon. Robert Lettis Hooper formerly vice-president of this state in his sixty-seventh year." Soon afterwards is advertised for sale "that elegant seat called Belleville, late the residence of R. L. Hooper on the Delaware and containing one hundred acres." Belleville was the Sinclair and Rutherford country-seat. It is advertised in September 1806 by John Rutherford as the summer residence of the subscriber in the City of Trenton "having three hundred and thirty acres on both sides of the river, and one of the lots between the new Street and Calhoun's lane including Prospect Hill."

(See Hall: *History of the Presbyterian Church in Trenton*, pp. 150, 151.)

The Belleville estate was about where West State Street and Prospect Street meet.

HOOPER, JACOB ROETERS—*Vestry 1761*. The brother of Robert Lettis Hooper, III, and a son of Robert Lettis Hooper, II. There was a meeting of his creditors in Trenton September 10, 1765. On June 25, 1759, the following advertisement was printed: "To be let a plantation on which lives Robert L. Hooper between Trenton and the ferry. Apply to him or Jacob Hooper."

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HOW, MICAJAH—*Warden 1765. Vestry 1764, 1783, 1791.* Was a prominent citizen of Trenton. He was sheriff of Hunterdon County and one of the judges of the court of common pleas. He was one of the original proprietors of the Trenton Academy in 1781. Of this family was the Rev. Thomas Yardley How, for a time assistant minister of Trinity Church, New York.

He entertained Richard Henry Lee until he was elected President of the Continental Congress on November 30, 1784. (Godfrey: *History of the Mechanics Bank*, p. 25.)

Mrs. Sarah How, wife of Micajah How, was among the matrons who had a part in the ceremonies in connection with Washington's reception at Trenton, 1789, and his daughter Sarah, was one of the thirteen young ladies who represented the original states.

The Federalist, Monday, January 14, 1799:

DIED, in this city, on Wednesday morning last, Micajah How, Esq., formerly Sheriff of the county of Hunterdon, and one of the Judges of the Court of Common Pleas of the county.

(Died January 9, 1799)

HOWELL, RICHARD—*Vestry 1790-1793.* Governor and Chancellor from 1793 to 1801, was born in Newcastle, Del., October 25, 1754. He was one of eleven children of Ebenezer Howell, who came to Newcastle from Wales in 1729. He came to Cumberland County when Richard was fifteen years old. Richard and his twin brother Lewis took part in the Greenwich Tea Party, in which the cargo of tea from the ship *Greyhound* was seized and burned in 1774.

At the inception of the Revolution, when Richard was little over twenty-one, he recruited a company of infantry in the counties of Cumberland and Salem for the Second Regiment, New Jersey Continental Line, of which he was commissioned captain November 29, 1775. On November 28, 1776, he attained the rank of major in his regiment, but resigned therefrom on April 7, 1779.

He was licensed by the Supreme Court as attorney-at-law in the April Term of 1779, and returned to Cumberland County where he began the practice of his profession. In November of the same year he married Keziah, daughter of Joseph Burr of Burlington County.

In September 1788 Richard Howell, who was then residing in Trenton, was appointed clerk of the Supreme Court. On June 3, 1793, he was elected governor of New Jersey, vice William Paterson who had been appointed by President Washington as a Justice of the United States Supreme Court. By virtue of his office Governor Howell assumed active command of the New Jersey Militia sent into Pennsylvania to suppress the Whiskey Insurrection in the Fall of 1794; and by order issued October 9, 1794, he commanded the right wing of the entire army.

Governor Howell was annually re-elected until the Democratic-Republican Party came into power in 1801, when Joseph Bloomfield was elected Governor and Howell returned to the practice of law.

Richard Howell died in Trenton on April 28, 1802, and his remains were

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interred in the Friends' burying-ground in Trenton. His widow, Keziah Howell, died August 9, 1835, at Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. Mrs. Jefferson Davis, whose husband was president of the "Confederated States," was their grand-daughter. (Elmer: *Reminiscences*, pp. 102-13.)

MEREDITH, SAMUEL—*Vestry 1770; 1810-1814. Trustee 1807-1809.* Was born in Philadelphia in 1741, and died at his Seat "Belmont" Wayne County, Pa., February 10, 1817. He was the son of Reese Meredith, a native of Radnorshire, Wales, by Martha, daughter of John, and grand-daughter of Samuel Carpenter. He was lieutenant-governor, treasurer, member assembly and council of Pennsylvania, and next to Penn the richest man in the Province. Mr. Meredith was educated in Allison Academy, at New London, Chester Co., Pa. In 1765 he and his brother-in-law, George Clymer, the Signer, were taken into partnership with the elder Meredith as "Meredith Sons"; as such, all three signed the famous "Non Importation Resolution" November 7, 1765. In July 1771 General Meredith married Margaret (born 1748), daughter of Dr. Thomas Cadwalader, one of the most eminent physicians of his day, who, in 1750, gave £500 to found a Library at Trenton. Mr. Meredith was evidently an owner of property in Trenton as early as 1770; as he was a vestryman of St. Michael's Parish in 1770, and again 1807 to 1812. In 1776, Mr. Meredith was commissioned major of the Battalion of Associators of Pennsylvania, of which his brother-in-law, John Cadwalader, was colonel, and as such served with distinction at Princeton January 2, 1777. He served in the Pennsylvania assembly 1779. General, Fourth Brigade, Pennsylvania Militia 1778-1779. In 1780 he and his brother-in-law George Clymer each gave £20,000 to carry on the war. His father, Reese Meredith gave General Washington £500 to feed and clothe his starving Army at Valley Forge in February 1778; In 1786-1788 General Meredith was a member of the Continental Congress from Pennsylvania; surveyor of the Port of Philadelphia 1788-1789; treasurer of the United States September 30, 1789 to October 31, 1801. He was again a vestryman of St. Michael's Church from 1807 to 1812, living at "Otter Hall," which stood on the Delaware River two miles below Trenton. General Meredith was for many years president of the Royal Society of Ancient Britons, composed exclusively of Welshmen and their descendants, a position his father had occupied before him. He was a close personal friend of General Washington. (Adapted from a sketch furnished by a descendant, Philip Wharton Dickinson.)

SAMUEL MEREDITH

N. J. Archives, Vol. XXIX, p. 255:

TO BE SOLD

The valuable Farm, Otter Hall, pleasantly situated on the Jersey side of the river Delaware, 2 miles below Trenton (in an agreeable neighbourhood) suitable either for the Gentleman or the Farmer, containing 350 acres, 130 of which are good meadow, 120 acres plowland, the remainder woodland; there are on the premises a very convenient two story frame house, with a kitchen adjoining, on a high situation, which commands a fine extensive view of the

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river and grounds adjacent, a barn with a leanto, five large hay barracks, a waggon and corn house, sheds for cattle, 180 feet in length, a stable and coach house, also a good stone milk-house, a large garden, with a variety of grafted fruit trees, and a good nursery; likewise a young bearing orchard, of 600 of the best sorts of grafted apple trees. Apply to

SAMUEL MEREDITH

Philadelphia, Feb. 7, 1774.

The Pennsylvania Journal, February 9, 1774.

NORTON, RALPH—*Vestry 1760, 1765*. His name is mentioned among those signing the petition for the building of the barracks, in 1756.

OGDEN, COLONEL SAMUEL—*Vestry 1789-1791*. Born in Newark, N.J., December 9, 1746. Died in Newark December 1, 1810. He married Euphemia Morris (born September 10, 1754; died June 2, 1818), a daughter of Judge Lewis Morris and Sarah Gouverneur, on February 5, 1775. The marriage was performed by the Reverend Samuel Seabury.

The Ogden Family in America, a genealogical work, states that "Colonel Samuel Ogden was a prominent Episcopalian and an ardent patriot during the Revolutionary War, in which he served as Colonel in the New Jersey Militia. He was a man of great business tact and energy and operated for many years the iron works at Boonton in Morris County, New Jersey."

The same genealogical work prints an item taken from *The Sentinel of Freedom*, a local newspaper in Newark, "November 24, 1807, Colonel Samuel Ogden moved to quash indictment of Aaron Burr for the murder of General Hamilton." The same work further states that "He was a delegate to all the Episcopal Conventions from 1791 to 1809. His wife, Euphemia, is buried in Grace Church, Broadway and Tenth Street, New York City."

NOTE BY C. E. G.

The diaries of General Washington (copies of which are in the City Library) show that in about 1787 or 1788-1790 Colonel Ogden was associated with Robert Morris in the Trenton iron works. Whether the Trenton iron works were located in Morrisville or South Trenton I would not attempt to point out positively, but he remained here for a period of two years and during that time he was a vestryman of St. Michael's Church. General Washington came up to visit him and remained two or three days on a fishing expedition, and while here Washington also came over to Trenton and visited General Philemon Dickinson.

THE PEARSON FAMILY

PEARSON, ROBERT, III—*Vestry 1764. Warden 1775*. The first one to bear this name, Robert Pearson I, came to this country about 1682, and settled at Nottingham, in the territory known as the "Yorkshire Tenth." He died in 1704, and his tombstone, together with others of the family, may be seen today in the little cemetery located in what is known as Pearsonville, on the White Horse Road. He had a son, Robert Pearson, II, who married in 1706, Elizabeth, a daughter of Thomas Tindall, mentioned in the "License to

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Build," 1705, as a warden of the Hopewell Church. He married as his second wife Mary Coale. Their daughter, Theodosia, married Abraham Hunt, the well-known Trenton merchant. Robert Pearson, II, devised by will, made September 13, 1751, proved 1753, to his son Robert Pearson, III, the vestryman, the "plantation where I dwell" and to his son Isaac "part of the plantation that formerly belonged to Thomas Tindall." The name of Robert Pearson, probably Robert Pearson, III, heads the list of managers of the "Lottery to finish the Church in Trenton," 1751. He gave bond to marry Mary Higbee dated May 7, 1761.

There was still another Robert Pearson, IV, who served on the vestry as late as 1811. He was perhaps a son of Robert Pearson, III, or of his brother Isaac Pearson. It was doubtless he, designated as "Robert Pearson Jr.," who is mentioned in company with Stacy Potts, Isaac Smith, Samuel Tucker, Abraham Hunt, Rensselaer Williams, John and Charles Clunn, as signing an application to the legislature of 1790, in behalf of John Fitch, the inventor of the steamboat, which obtained for him fourteen years of exclusive privilege on this side of the Delaware. He served on the vestry 1800-1801: 1810-1811. Trustee 1801-1809.

NOTE BY C. E. G.

Bond of William Pearson as Administrator of estate (Robert Pearson III) dated April 24, 1802. It recites that Elizabeth Pearson has since died, and the other two executors renounce their right to act.

ROBERT PEARSON, IV

Trenton Federalist, May 2, 1825 (3x4): says Robert Pearson died in Woodbury, N.J., April 23, 1825. Attorney-at-Law; formerly of Nottingham Township.

Graduate of Princeton, Class 1782. Licensed attorney-at-law by Supreme Court in the April term, 1789. Licensed counsellor-at-law by Supreme Court in the May term, 1784.

The above may be the Robert Pearson serving in the vestry up to 1815.

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PEARSON, ISAAC—*Vestry 1761, 1765: 1773-1776. Warden 1770-1772.* He was a son of Robert Pearson, II, and a brother of Robert Pearson, III. He inherited from his father "400 acres being part of a plantation formerly belonging to Thomas Tindall," his grandfather.

Justice of the Peace, Burlington County, August 22, 1767 (AAA-Com. p. 430).

Isaac Pearson gave bond to marry Elizabeth Smith, both of Burlington County, dated Dec. 7, 1761. Name of Gilbert Smith on bond. (P. p. 160.)

No. 12057 C. Will of ISAAC PEARSON

Of Nottingham Township, Burlington County.
Wife, Elizabeth Pearson.

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Son, Robert Pearson.

Son, William Pearson.

Bro. Robert Pearson.

Sister, Achsah Imlay, wife of Wm. Imlay.

“ Theodosia Hunt.

Executors: Wife, Elizabeth Pearson, Brother Robert Pearson & Micajah How.

WITNESSES: George Panton,
Abraham Hunt,
Charles Harrison.

Will dated July 13, 1775.

Will proved January 30, 1798.

Of these witnesses George Panton was rector of St. Michael's Church when the war broke out and Charles Harrison was a warden.

PIDGEON, WILLIAM—*Warden 1761. Vestry 1754-1760: 1770-1775.* Was admitted to the New Jersey bar at the August term 1750. He resided on King (now Warren) Street, near the present Trenton House, and was a man of some substance. He married in 1758, Sarah Hooper of Kingsbury. He advertised land for sale in Trenton in 1758 and 1760, as acting executor of Daniel Cox III, and also advertised land from 1750 to 1761. Governor Franklin appointed him, March 31, 1774, a justice of the peace in the counties of Burlington and Monmouth. In 1751 he was one of the managers of the Trenton Lottery, for finishing and completing St. Michael's Church. He died at Stafford, Monmouth County, January 20, 1780, from burns in getting out of his house when it was on fire. He left £50 to the Methodist Society of Trenton for the repair of their meeting house, and £3000 to his executors to be used for charitable purposes. In a bequest to his son Robert he requests that "he shall learn to be a compleat lawyer before he goes to live with William Cox."

(See Hall: *History Presbyterian Church in Trenton*, p. 149.)

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Trenton, February 15, 1776.

To be sold—A handsome, well-furnished brick house, a convenient kitchen with quarters for servants, stable, garden and small piece of meadow ground, situate in King Street, in Trenton. The purchaser may have possession the first of March.

(Signed) WILLIAM PIDGEON

Foot-Note.—William Pidgeon was a well-known citizen of Trenton during the War period. The brick house referred to was situated on the east side of what is now Warren Street, midway between what is now East Hanover and State Street.

(*New Jersey Archives*, 2d Series, Vol. I, 79.)

POLHEMUS, JOHN—*Vestry 1788-1791.*

John Polhemus, Jr., gave bond to marry Elizabeth Robins, both of Monmouth County, dated June 7, 1759. Bond signed by John Robins. Pp. 116.

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John Polhemus kept a tavern here and was granted a license as early as 1786.

The *State Gazette* for January 3, 1797 (4x3) contains an advertisement of John Polhemus, dated December 26, 1796, where he offers the INDIAN QUEEN tavern for sale, and to inquire of the subscriber in Philadelphia.

SALTER, RICHARD—*Vestry 1761*. Was commissioned Associate Judge of the Supreme Court on May 15, 1754. Chief Justice Robert Hunter Morris, on tendering his resignation as Chief Justice in 1754, suggested Richard Salter as his successor, describing him as "a man of understanding and fortune, a firm friend of the Government, and one who will act in that station with honor to himself and justice to the public." The resignation of the Chief Justice was not accepted and Richard Salter was made Associate Judge. He was a Member of the Council for the Western Division and resided there. His appointment was suggested to the Chief Justice by Judge Charles Reed. He said: "There cannot be a more proper person to supply your place than Mr. Salter. You are no stranger to his abilities."

(See Keasbey: *Courts and Lawyers of New Jersey*, Vol. I, 303.)

For an account of the Saltar family see *First Families of Old Monmouth* by J. E. Stillwell, M.D., of New York City.

STELLE, PONTIUS—*Vestry 1763-1765*. Witness with the Rev. Michael Houdin to the Will of Daniel Cox, III, January 25, 1757. He had a son Pontius D. Stelle, who served on the vestry 1794-1799.

Pontius Stelle was a son of Gabriel Stelle, a prominent citizen of Perth Amboy, and was the grandson of Poncet Stelle, who is styled in the record of the French Huguenot church of New York, "sieur des Loriers," and is sometimes referred to as "dit desloriers," whence it is inferred that he was from the little village of Loriers, near Limoge, in the southwest of France. Elizabeth the first wife of Gabriel Stelle, died July 29, 1723, aged 38 years, 2 mos., 1 day. She and her infant son Benjamin (died November 14, 1719, in his third year) are buried in Christ church burying ground, Shrewsbury. She was the mother of Pontius Stelle. The latter was a Member of the Assembly from Perth Amboy, 1745-1749. He is mentioned as of Amboy in 1740. In 1747 he was appointed one of the commissioners to disburse the funds of the expedition against Canada. Administration on the estate of Pontius Stelle was granted, November 12, 1770, to Benjamin Biles. (*New Jersey Archives*, Vol. XXIV, p. 142.)

GABRIEL STELLE, Member of House of General Assembly, from City of Perth Amboy, 1730-1733. (*Legislative Manual*.)

PONTIUS STELLE, Member of House of General Assembly, from City of Perth Amboy, 1745-1748. (*Legislative Manual*.)

Trenton, February 25, 1763.

To be sold at public vendue, on Monday, the 11th of April next, the house in which Mr. Pontius Stelle now lives, in Trenton. It is two stories high, with four rooms on a floor, and good dry cellars under the whole, with a large kitchen, and storehouse adjoining. The lot contains about a half an acre of

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ground, on which there are also large, convenient stables, a chaise house, and a good well of water.

The above premises is conveniently situated for any public business, in a pleasant part of the town, and has been a well-frequented tavern, constantly kept up, for above thirty years past.

(Signed) MARY BEADLES

NOTE BY C. E. G.

This house recently torn down, corner Warren and Perry Streets was on the lot acquired by Mr. Bugbee for St. Michael's Church in 1925.

STELLE, PONTIUS DELARE

(Vestry 1794-1799)

DEATHS—At Washington City, lately, Pontius D. Stelle, formerly of Trenton. (*Trenton Federalist*, May 22, 1826. 2x5.)

U.S. Loan Office certificate issued to Pontius D. Stelle, Merchant of Trenton, dated March 9, 1793; and another one dated December 13, 1794. 213 AM, Secretary's Office.

Bill, to services as Clerk in the office of Aaron Dunham, N.J. State Auditor, at Trenton, for services from September 12, 1787 to March 7, 1788. 1903 AM, Secretary's Office.

TAYLOR, —*Vestry 1775-1776*. Possibly Major John Taylor, Fourth Regiment of the Hunterdon County Militia. Stryker says "Major Taylor, with others, was a member of a committee appointed by Washington in 1776 "to gather in the State forces."

There was another John Taylor of Monmouth County, born 1742 near Amboy, who was first lieutenant, and afterwards captain, in the First Battalion, New Jersey Volunteers (Loyalist). The name of Taylor does not appear in the vestry after 1776, which may be significant.

TRENT, WILLIAM—*Vestry 1783*. Known as "Major Trent", was the son of Chief-Justice William Trent, for whom Trenton was named. His mother was Mary Trent, his father's second wife who died in Trenton in 1772, and was buried in the old Hopewell graveyard (See Appendix I: 3, 4.) He was born in Philadelphia 1713, and engaged in the mercantile business, dealing especially in fur and peltries, which brought him into close relation with Indian trappers. He travelled much among them, and Cooley (p. 284) says: "There were very few of their great treaty-making assemblies at which he was not present either as a counsellor or one of the parties or in some other official capacity." He got his title of "Major" during what is known as "King George's War" (1746-1747) when he was in the military service of Pennsylvania.

Major Trent resided for some years at Lancaster, Pa., where his second and third children were born; for a much longer period and until 1768, he made his residence in Carlisle, and was appointed by Governor Hamilton judge of the court of common pleas of Cumberland County, where his three youngest children were born. Before his visit to England (1769) he removed to Trenton, New Jersey, where his family lived during his absence, and he himself

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after his return until the close of 1783. His wife is credited with the rent of the Presbyterian parsonage from 1768 to 1771, and his letters are written from the Trenton lower ferry. He died in Philadelphia in 1787.

He married Sarah Wilkins, who died in 1807. Children: William, born May 28, 1754; Ann, born October 20, 1756; Martha, born October 24, 1759; Mary, born December 3, 1762; Sarah, born November 29, 1768; John, born April 21, 1768.

His daughter, Mary Trent, married Nathan Beakes, and had (1) son, Morgan, who married Hannah, daughter of George Miller of Trenton; (2) daughter, Lydia, married Zachariah Rossell. Their daughter, Mary Trent, married Lewis Pemberton Higbee, son of Joseph Higbee, III.

"Mary Trent Beakes was the last person who bore the name of Trent to live in Trenton" said a newspaper of the day. She died in Trenton December 20, 1840, in the seventy-eighth year of her age.

The New Jersey Gazette, July 5, 1784 (3x3)

To be Sold, By the subscriber, at publick sale, on Thursday the 20th of July next, A Valuable farm, on which Major WILLIAM TRENT lately lived, situate on the river Delaware, within two miles of Trenton, containing about seven hundred acres; three hundred and fifty cleared, one hundred of which is meadow of the first quality; two orchards of six hundred trees of the best grafted fruit, an excellent shad fishery, and old accustomed ferry, known by the name of the TRENTON LOWER FERRY (with Boats). There are on the farm a large brick dwelling house and kitchen, barn, stables, and other outhouses.

ELIJAH BOND

Trenton, June 28, 1784.

The property was purchased by Barnt De Klyn, and the house was destroyed by fire in 1785.

NOTE: Perhaps it was on this property that the mansion known as "Bow Hill," owned by Barnt De Klyn, was subsequently erected, and as tradition says, leased for a period to Joseph Bonaparte.

TUCKER, SAMUEL—Though not a vestryman, nor probably a churchman, at least had Episcopal leanings, since he was buried in the old Hopewell church graveyard 1789, beside his wife, who was also buried there in 1787. He also left in his will £30 to St. Michael's Church.

Their tombstones are there, and may be seen today though in a much defaced condition. (See Appendix I: 5.) The inscriptions are as follows:

(1) Underneath this stone lie the remains
of Samuel Tucker Esq who departed this life
the 14th day of January 1789, aged 67 years
3 months and 19 days.
"Though in the dust I lay my head
Yet, gracious God thou wilt not leave
My soul forever with the dead
Nor lose thy children in the grave."

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(2) In memory of Elizabeth Tucker, the wife of Samuel Tucker Esq of Trenton and daughter of James and Anna Gould, who departed this life on Sunday, the 13 day of May 1787 aged 57 years 8 months and 14 Days.

Samuel Tucker was a man of great prominence in his day and held many public offices. He was high sheriff of Hunterdon County, member of the Provincial Assembly of 1760; president of the Provincial Congress of New Jersey which sat in Trenton from October 4 to 28, 1775, and officially signed the Constitution which it framed July 2, 1776. On September 4 of that memorable year he was appointed a Justice of the Supreme Court. Subsequently he was also for a time state treasurer of New Jersey. In 1776 he was chairman of the Provincial Committee of Safety, but in the subsequent panic he took advantage of the offer of British protection as apparently did so many others. Hall says of him: "Perhaps some of this weakness was attributable to the family connection of Mr. Tucker, his wife being an English lady. It is said that Mr. Tucker and John Hart (afterwards a signer of the Declaration) were competitors for the Assembly in 1768; Tucker was supported by the Episcopalians, Methodists and Baptists; Hart by the Presbyterians. During the first and second days of election, Hart was ahead, but on the third one Judge Brae coming up with a strong reserve of Church of England men, secured Tucker's return."

(See Hall: *History of the Presbyterian Church in Trenton*, pp. 121, 122.)

NOTE BY C. E. G.

When the news of the Battle of Lexington (April 19, 1775) was sent by express to Philadelphia, Samuel Tucker and Isaac Smith were the Committee to receive it in Trenton, April 24, 9 a.m., and they forwarded it to Philadelphia. (Wickes, *Hist. of Medicine in New Jersey*, 399.)

WARRELL, JOSEPH, I—*Vestry 1754-1755*. Was recommended, December 18, 1732, by Governor Cosby for a seat in the Council of New Jersey. "He was so well recommended to me by Lord Malpas, before I left England, that there is little more for me to say in his behalf that since my acquaintance with him his behaviour has in every particular confirmed the character given by his Lordship and one I can answer for." The appointment was not made, but he received the office of Attorney-General of New Jersey, (1733-1754), which was probably more to his liking. On December 17, 1733, the Council of New York wrote to the Duke of Newcastle, that Lewis Morris had sent to represent him "Joseph Warrell Esq., a gentleman of the law and of very fair character." No record has been found of his origin, nor of his admission to the New Jersey bar, but in 1737 he was residing at Trenton. He was appointed August 13, 1746, one of the quorum Justices of the Peace for Middlesex County. In 1751 he was living at "Belleville," near Trenton, and stated that he had lived there many years, and consequently could give a good character to Samuel Tucker, his neighbor, having known him since Tucker was a boy. He asked leave to resign July 5, 1754, in order "to make his declining years

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comfortable." His resignation was promptly accepted by Governor Belcher, and Cortlandt Skinner, whom he had recommended as his successor, was appointed ten days later. Joseph Warrell died in the summer of 1758. A daughter married Abraham Cottnam, a leading lawyer of Trenton.

(Nelson: pp. 209-10, abridged.)

JOSEPH WARRELL, I

July, 1758.

For sale by executors, the seat of Joseph Warrell, Esq., late deceased, well known by name of Bellville, on the Delaware, three-fourths of a mile from Trenton, with gardens, orchards, etc. Also a plantation of 300 acres, within one-fourth of a mile of the above, on the Delaware, with a patent for a ferry. (See Hall: *History of Presbyterian Church in Trenton* (2d Ed.), p. 66.)

The estate known as "Belleville" was located about where West State Street and Prospect Street meet.

WARRELL, JOSEPH, II—*Warden 1774*. Son of Joseph Warrell; was manager of a lottery for the Trenton English and Grammar School in 1753; was licensed as an attorney March 13, 1758; was clerk of the circuits 1765-1768, and died in Trenton March 6, 1775.

The funeral services were taken by the Rev. Jonathan Odell, as appears from the Parish Register of St. Mary's Church, Burlington, which contains the following entry:

"1775 Buried (March) 7 Joseph Warrell Esq. of Trenton."

His tombstone in the First Presbyterian Church yard is thus inscribed:

In memory of Joseph Warrell Esq. who departed
this life March 6th, 1775 aged 36 years.
This stone is erected not for pomp or
pageantry, but from true affection.
For other thoughts employ the widowed wife:
The best of husbands, loved in private life,
Bids her with tears to raise this humble stone
That holds his ashes and expects her own.

JOSEPH WARRELL, II

"On Monday, the 6th instant (March 6, 1775), departed this life, in the thirty-sixth year of his age, after a long and painful illness, JOSEPH WARRELL, of Trenton, Esq., Attorney at Law. A gentleman whose affability, good humour and generosity, endeared him to all those who had the pleasure of his acquaintance. He was a warm, sincere friend, a most tender and affectionate husband, which, with his many other engaging qualifications, renders the loss of him exceedingly lamented." (*N.J. Archives*, Vol. XXXI, p. 92.)

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WILL OF JOSEPH WARRELL, II

Wife, Patience.

"I desire that my body be buried as near to my parents and children in the Presbyterian burying ground in Trenton as conveniently may be."

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Exrs.—John Cox Jr. of Philadelphia, merchant, & Isaac Allen of Trenton.

Dated February 11, 1774.

Proved March 25, 1775.

Both Cox and Allen served in the vestry of St. Michael's Church.

WILLIAMS, RENNELLAER—*Warden 1783; 1785-1789. Vestry 1770-1774.* Kept an Inn in 1776, at the northwest corner of Warren and Bank Streets, which was the former residence of Abraham Cottnam.

This inn is mentioned by the Marquis de Chastelleux, at the time of his visit here. He also in 1768 kept an inn known as the "Royal Oak" formerly Robert Rutherford's Tavern (N.W. cor. State and Broad). In 1773 he removed his inn to Trenton Ferry which in partnership with Patrick Colvin he operated in 1774.

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He did not keep the "Blazing Star" tavern at the Ferry. He remained at the Ferry until he took the Cottnam house in 1776, which he called the "Royal Oak Inn."

Rensselaer Williams was one of the founders in 1781 of the Trenton School Company, or Academy. He was found dead in the street opposite the State House, December 1796. His grave is in St. Michael's churchyard, where his age is given as sixty-four. Adjoining it is the grave of his son Rensselaer Williams, Jr., who died at the house of Abraham Hunt in 1801, aged thirty-three years. He was in the mercantile business in Cooperstown, New York. In James Fennimore Cooper's *Chronicles of Cooperstown*, it is stated that Rensselaer and Richard Williams arrived between the years 1792 and 1797. (See Hall: *History Presbyterian Church in Trenton*, p. 331.)

WITT, FRANCIS—*Vestry 1783-1787.* On March 27, 1778, the partnership of Robert Singer and Francis Witt, dealer in merchandise at Trenton, was dissolved. In November, 1778, Francis Witt was the senior member of the firm of Francis Witt & Jacob Benjamin, auctioneers in Trenton, on Warren Street above State.

On January 21, 1782, the firm of Witt & Lott announces that "They have for sale hair pins, powder and pomatum." In the same advertisement "The subscriber likewise begs leave to inform the publick in general that he keeps a house of entertainment for man and horse, at the sign of Alexander the Great, in the house formerly occupied by Captain Clunn, in Trenton, where all persons favouring him with their custom may depend on his utmost exertions to give entire satisfaction, by the publick's most obedient humble servant. FRANCIS WITT." On June 18, 1782, he changes the name of his tavern to the BLAZING STAR; which tavern he advertises as late as July 29, 1788. This tavern was located on Warren Street, opposite the Trenton House, the sign, however, having been transferred where the French Arms had been located on the present site of the Mechanics Bank in January, 1785.

On June 26, 1790, he announces that he keeps tavern at the sign of the Indian Queen, in Elizabeth-Town, lately kept by Mr. Samuel Smith.

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On July 20, 1793, he was an insolvent debtor confined in the Middlesex County Jail at New Brunswick.

On September 3, 1794, he announces in the press that he keeps tavern in Trenton at the Sign of Doctor Franklin. This building was located at the northeast corner of Warren and Hanover Streets, then Pinkerton's Alley.

On June 16, 1796, he announces that he keeps that "old noted Inn" the BLACK-HORSE-ALLEY-INN, in Philadelphia, located in Black Horse Alley.

(For a sketch of Francis Witt, see Godfrey: *History of The Mechanics Bank*, pp. 31-3, 35.)

CHAPTER XII

PRE-WAR CONDITIONS AND THE COLONIAL CHURCH

EARLY EFFORTS TO OBTAIN THE EPISCOPATE

BEFORE taking up the narrative of parochial life in a subsequent chapter, it may prove profitable, and perhaps interesting, to offer some observations as to the state of the church in the United States, as it stood upon the threshold of an independent existence, as a national institution. Especially in the case of readers who may not be familiar with the circumstances of that crucial period, it is important to take a preliminary review of the general conditions, as otherwise it is impossible rightly to understand the situation as it affected the fortunes of the church.

During the colonial period the church in America was under the nominal charge of the Bishop of London. Though he never visited the churches here, and exercised only the most casual oversight, he at least ordained many who came over, and all were required to hold his license. However nominal his relationship to the churches in America, it could at least be said that they were "Episcopal" owing their connection with the Established Church of England.

The lack of an episcopate locally resident in America was the chief handicap to the church's well-being and growth in the colonial days, and accounts largely for the slowness of its development both before and after the war. Had a bishop been granted from the earliest period, it is safe to say that the church's history would have been entirely different, and that instead of being today numerically one of the smaller bodies, it might have embraced a majority of the immigrants inheriting Anglo-Saxon blood and traditions. Almost certainly many of its own children, who subsequently identified themselves with other bodies, would have been retained in the church had there been a sufficient supply of clergy to minister to their needs. As it was the lack of a native church ministry stimulated, if it did not necessitate, the creation of a body of ministers outside the church's order. Be-

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cause the church in the colonies was unable to supply the demand for clergy, those who would have naturally preferred its ministrations were allowed to drift away from it and accept in lieu what was otherwise conveniently offered them. This was especially the case in the pioneer communities which were rapidly in course of settlement.

Measures looking towards the securing of the episcopate for the colonial church were taken early in the eighteenth century, and similar efforts continued well up to the period of the War of the Revolution. The indispensable necessity of having a resident bishop, if the church in America was to make progress and develop itself according to its inherent genius, was felt by all who had the good of the church at heart and were familiar with the conditions. None felt this need more strongly than Talbot, and in season and out of season for twenty years he labored for this consummation.

AN ADDRESS TO THE BISHOPS OF THE ENGLISH CHURCH

On November 2, 1705, there was a meeting in Burlington of the clergy of New York, New Jersey and Pennsylvania, at which an address was drawn up, signed and sent under cover to the Lord Bishop of London. The petition setting forth the need for a suffragan bishop resident in the colonies was addressed:

To the most Reverend fathers in God, the Lord Apps., the Right Reverend the Bishops and other Right Honorable members of the Society for Propagation of the Gospel in Foreign Parts. (Hills, *Hist. Ch. in Burlington*, p. 61.)

The document set forth in detail the weighty reasons that moved the petitioners in making their request. The importance of having a bishop on the ground to ordain persons locally seeking to enter the ministry of the church, instead of recruiting all such from the mother country, was strongly urged. It was pointed out that the colonial church for lack of a bishop was deprived of the advantages it might have possessed if it were made possible to give ordination to Presbyterian and Independent ministers, who desired to conform to the church and to receive Holy Orders. The impossibility of administering the rite of Confirmation was deplored. It was finally urged that the presence of a

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bishop was needed for administrative purposes, and to represent churchmen in the council of the provinces, when they were subjected, as often happened, to misrepresentation and injustice. The address was signed by fourteen clergymen. A letter commendatory of the bearer of the address, the Rev. John Talbot, was drawn up and addressed to the Lord Bishop of London, wherein the qualifications of Talbot to give information regarding the state of the church were duly set forth. Together with the address, and the letter commendatory, was enclosed a separate petition to the Queen for a suffragan bishop, which the Bishop of London was to use his discretion in presenting.

The Rev. Mr. Talbot subsequently went to England, and duly presented the address, and his credentials, but nothing came of the matter.

Again in 1719, another petition on the subject of providing a bishop for the colonies was drawn up by Talbot, and signed by many, including the governor of Pennsylvania, and the wardens and vestrymen of Christ Church, Philadelphia, but again nothing was done. Talbot paid another visit to England in 1720, returning home in 1722. It was during this two years sojourn that he is said to have sought and obtained consecration from the non-juror bishops but whether this were the case or no the matter has no practical significance, since he never publicly claimed or exercised episcopal prerogatives.

Notwithstanding these repeated failures to get the Anglican authorities to act in the matter of providing a bishop for the colonial church, the pressure still continued, and from time to time petitions and appeals were sent setting forth the disabilities which the lack of a bishop caused, and the great advantages which the presence of one would entail, but all to no effect.

REASONS FOR THE FAILURE TO PROVIDE A BISHOP

It may be naturally asked why this reluctance on the part of the ecclesiastical authorities to comply with so entirely reasonable a request? The answer is to be found in the political exigencies of the times rather than in the mere apathy or active opposition of the English bishops. The dissenting element in the colonies was a large and politically influential one, and as such was unalterably opposed to the establishment of episcopacy in a

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land which they were disposed to regard as in a special sense their own rightful domain. The Presbyterians and Independents (Congregationalists) were dominant in certain sections, and the British government of the day, both in England and the colonies, was not disposed to offend such a powerful contingent. Members of these dissenting bodies had emigrated ostensibly because of the religious and political disabilities they suffered from in the mother country, where episcopacy was established as the dominant form of Christianity, and the very idea of suffering the hated system to be erected here aroused their fiercest opposition.

The political tie that bound the colonies to the mother country was felt by British statesmen to be none too strong, and to depend rather upon the goodwill of the American people than upon any exterior conditions. Hence the interests of the church were sacrificed to the dictates of political expedience during the colonial period, and even after independence was secured the fear of irritating powerful elements in the United States postponed the granting of the episcopate. Dr. Samuel Seabury was compelled to apply to the bishops of the Scotch Episcopal Church for the boon of consecration after vainly trying to persuade the authorities of the English Church to act in his behalf, such setting up the plea that they were unable to act in the premises without the specific consent of Parliament.

THE EPISCOPATE SECURED

On November 14, 1784, Dr. Seabury was consecrated at Aberdeen, by Robert Kilgour, primus of the Scottish Church, assisted by Arthur Petrie, the Bishop of Ross and Moray, and John Skinner, the co-adjutor Bishop of Aberdeen. An Enabling Act was subsequently passed by Parliament in accordance with which the consecration of Dr. White of Pennsylvania and Dr. Provoost of New York took place at Lambeth, February 4, 1787. The Archbishop of Canterbury, Dr. John Moore, was the consecrator, and the co-consecrators were the Bishop of Bath and Wells, and the Bishop of Peterborough.

A CRITICAL PERIOD

The period following the war, say from 1785 to 1815, represents a distinctive and critical epoch in the American Church,

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since it was a grave question as to its survival and continuance under changed conditions.

The chief source of information for this period, as far as this diocese is concerned, is found in the *Journals of the Diocese of New Jersey* for the years 1785-1816, which were reprinted in one volume in 1890, together with certain historical documents of cognate interest. These Journals throw a strong side light upon the parochial history, and furnish the official statistics which reveal many of the problems and difficulties with which the parish struggled during these formative years.

No longer could assistance be expected from outside sources. It was henceforth a case of "help yourself or perish."

THE S.P.G. WITHDRAWS ITS HELP

In 1779, it is stated "that there has been a total cessation of public worship in the provinces of New Jersey and Pennsylvania."

From this time the S.P.G. withdrew all its missionaries, and the church in America was henceforth deprived of the "nursing care and protection" which for three quarters of a century had been so generously given.

GRATITUDE FOR THE WORK OF THE S.P.G.

In 1869, at the time of the first Lambeth Conference of Anglican bishops, throughout the world, Bishop Littlejohn of Long Island at a missionary conference given by the "Venerable Society," gave utterance to the sentiments of gratitude cherished by American churchmen towards the institution:

For nearly the whole of the eighteenth century this Society furnished the only point of contact, the only bond of sympathy, between the Church of England and her children scattered over the waste places of the New World. . . . It is therefore with joy and gratitude, that we, the representatives of the American Church, greet the venerable society on this occasion as the first builder of our ecclesiastical foundations, and lay at her feet the golden sheaves of the harvest of her planting. (Tiffany, *A Hist. of P. E. Church in the U.S.*, p. 281.)

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POST-WAR CONDITIONS

The post-war task that now confronted the faithful remnant of what was formerly the Church of England in the colonies was a colossal one. Parish organizations were disrupted, congregations depleted or alienated, public services had been intermitted for long periods, and above all there was a great scarcity of clergy. Moreover the war had left a legacy of popular dislike and prejudice, which it took years to overcome.

A NATIONAL CHURCH

The first thing to do was to make it clear to all concerned that the Episcopal Church was no longer under the rule of the Established Church of England, or in any way dependent upon it. It must be henceforth not the Church of England in America, but the American Church. Thus only could it hope to regain the goodwill and support of Americans, and dissipate the distrust and prejudice with which it was commonly regarded by those outside its communion.

EFFORTS TO RESUSCITATE THE CHURCH

It was to the statesmanship of the Rev. William White, rector of Christ Church, Philadelphia, and subsequently the first bishop of Pennsylvania, that plans for resuscitating the Episcopal churches and binding them together in at least a semblance of unity, were first formulated. In 1782, after active hostilities had ceased, White published anonymously a pamphlet entitled *The Case of the Episcopal Churches in the United States Considered*.

This pamphlet advocated an immediate movement, without waiting for the presence of a bishop, which should bring the churches into some measure of association and common government. Most of the principles maintained in the pamphlet were afterwards incorporated in the Constitution of the church. The general features of the plan still exist in the organization, which was finally established in 1789. (Tiffany, *A Hist. of the P. E. Church in the United States*, p. 291.)

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THE PART PLAYED BY THE REV. DR. WHITE

White was one of the few clergymen in this section of the country who had thought it compatible with his ecclesiastical obligations to embrace the cause of the patriots. Upon the adoption of the Declaration of Independence he proceeded in the public services of the church to substitute in the liturgical prayers for the King and Parliament the Continental Congress as representing the *de facto* government of the country. Though to use his own phrase, he "never beat the ecclesiastical drum," he was chosen chaplain to the Continental Congress in 1777, and subsequently acted in the same capacity to the Federal Congress as long as Philadelphia remained the seat of government.

Shortly after peace was declared conferences of the clergy and faithful laymen began to be held in various parts of the country, with a view to adopting measures to resuscitate the church's fortune. Even before the close of hostilities such a conference had been held at Chester town, Maryland, November 8, 1780, when the title "Protestant Episcopal," as defining the Episcopal Church in Maryland, was adopted for local use, and subsequently came into general acceptance.

MEETING AT NEW BRUNSWICK

The movement to constitute one Episcopal Church for the whole United States was begun at an informal meeting of several clergymen from New York, New Jersey, and Pennsylvania, held at New Brunswick, New Jersey, May 11, 1784. The meeting was called specifically for the purpose of considering the affairs of the "Corporation for the Relief of Widows and Orphans of the Clergy," which had been founded in 1769, for the benefit of the three provinces represented at the meeting. It had become necessary, in view of the changed conditions, to revise the charter of the society, and to arrange for an equitable division of the funds. There were present at this meeting three representatives from each of the three states: from New York the Revs. Bloomer, Benjamin and Thomas Moore; from New Jersey the Revs. Beach, Frazer and Ogden; from Pennsylvania the Revs. Dr. White and Magraw, with the Rev. Mr. Blackwell. Several laymen were also present, among whom were John and Richard

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Stevens of New Jersey, Richard Dennis and Colonel Hoyt. The Rev. Dr. White of Philadelphia presided. An informal discussion ensued as to the plans necessary to effect a unity among the churches. No definite action, however, was taken at the time, but a committee was appointed to attend a convention in New York which should be composed of representatives of the clergy and laity in the different states.

ONE EPISCOPAL CHURCH IN THE UNITED STATES

This convention met on the 6th of October following. The representatives from New Jersey were the Rev. Uzal Odgen, and John De Hart, John Chetwood and the Rev. Samuel Spragg. Besides New Jersey, Massachusetts, Rhode Island, New York, Pennsylvania, Delaware and Maryland were represented.

A report was presented and adopted, which provided that there should be one Episcopal Church for the United States, to be constitutionally governed by representatives, clerical and lay, from the church in each state, that this church embody the doctrine and adopt the liturgy of the English church, so far as consistent with the changed political situation; that bishops, when obtained, be recognized as *ex officio* members of the General Convention, and that the concurrence of clergy and laity be essential for the validity of all measures. The first meeting of this General Convention was appointed for the Tuesday before the feast of St. Michael (i.e., September 29) 1785, at Philadelphia.

THE FIRST CONVENTION IN THE DIOCESE OF NEW JERSEY

In New Jersey the first diocesan or state convention met at New Brunswick July 6, 1785, consisting of three clergymen and fourteen laymen. To this first of three sittings St. Michael's Church sent no representative, but at the second sitting held in St. Peter's Church, Perth Amboy, May 16-19 in the following year the name of John Douglass is recorded as a delegate from St. Michael's Church. At the third sitting held in St. Mary's Church, Burlington, on the 28th and 29th of September, 1786, the delegates from St. Michael's were David Brearley and Colonel John Cox. At this sitting four clerical and four lay deputies were chosen to represent the diocese at the General Convention

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to be held at Wilmington, Delaware, on the "10th of October next." Among those selected was John Cox of St. Michael's, Trenton. The Rev. William Frazer and Henry Waddell, the latter at that time a layman, but subsequently admitted to holy orders, were chosen deputies. Both of these were afterwards to serve in the rectorship of St. Michael's Church.

In the course of the three sittings of this Convention, certain *Rules and Regulations* were adopted, the general lines of which furnished the future constitution of the church in the diocese of New Jersey.

It is interesting to note that the proceedings of this first convention with the appendix were printed in Trenton in 1787, at the press of Isaac Collins.

THE NEW JERSEY DIOCESE ORGANIZED

By the year 1787 the church in New Jersey was fully organized, and became a constituent part of the Episcopal Church of America. It was not, however, until 1815 that the diocese had a bishop of its own.

During the intervening period the church in New Jersey had to depend for Episcopal ministrations upon such occasional services as could be rendered by the three bishops, who had received consecration abroad, and were thus constituted to perpetuate the American succession.

At the convention of the church in New Jersey, held in Trinity Church, Newark, June 1791, the following resolution was passed:

Bishops invited to officiate in New Jersey. On motion *Resolved and Ordered* That the Right Reverend Samuel Seabury, Bishop of Connecticut, the Right Reverend Samuel Provoost, Bishop of New York and the Right Reverend William White Bishop of Pennsylvania, be severally requested to ordain and confirm and also to perform all and any other act and acts of the Episcopal office for and in the diocese or district of New Jersey, until a Bishop shall be appointed for the same.

There was now a National Church constituted in the Three Orders of the ministry, and it was possible to provide clergy of native stock, and to fulfill all the other requirements which pertain to an autocephalous ecclesiastical body.

The growth for the first thirty years was painfully slow. The

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insufficiency of clergy to man parishes and missions, the depletion of congregations, owing to the elimination of the loyalist element, which had previously constituted the main financial and social strength of the colonial church, and the apathy due to the long interruption of the public services, were all serious handicaps to the church's life.

At the diocesan convention of 1790, the presence of only five clergymen is recorded, a like number in 1791, eight in 1792, six in 1793, and also in 1794, four only in 1795, three only in 1796. In 1797 at the convention held in St. Michael's Church, four, the same number in 1798, and five in 1799. In that year thirteen parishes were represented by lay delegates. Thus for the first fifteen years, as measured by clerical and lay representatives present in the convention, there would appear to have been little or no growth.

REPORT TO THE GENERAL CONVENTION OF 1814

In 1814 in a report made to the General Convention held that year, as to the "state of the church," appear the following regarding New Jersey:

From the Journals and reports of the Convention in this state, it appears that the number of congregations duly organized is twenty-seven. Of this number only seven enjoy the constant service of the ministry; four or five others have their Churches regularly though but a part of the time, opened on Sundays, by clergymen. To provide the remaining congregations, which are unable to maintain Clergymen for themselves, with the administration of the word and ordinances, a fund has been raised by the Convention, which is always in a state of gradual augmentation. There are in the diocese six instituted Rectors the whole number of officiating ministers is nine.

CHAPTER XIII

THE RESUMPTION OF SERVICES

PARISH HISTORY 1783-1815

AT a meeting of the congregation of St. Michael's Church of Trenton, held the fourth day of January, 1783, the following resolution was adopted:

Whereas the public worship of Almighty God, agreeable to the forms heretofore established, having by order of the Rector Wardens and Vestry made the Seventh day of July 1776, been untill this time Suspended, and now by the all wise dispensations of divine providence, the American States have become Free, Sovereign and Independent; And the Congregation being deeply impressed with the duty, the necessity and the propriety of revising and continuing of public worship according to the Evangelical doctrine of Episcopacy, have therefore proceeded to the Election, and appointment of the Officers of the Church, whereupon the following persons were chosen, viz:

Wardens

Rensselaer Williams

Isaac D Cow, Esquires

Vestry

Elijah Bond ✓

John Singer

Robert Pearson ✓

James Emerson

Charles Axford

William Cannon

Robert Singer

Michajah How

Francis Witt

William Trent

Charles Axford, Junr.

Robert L. Hooper, Junr.

Thus briefly stated and with the action taken necessary to the resumption of its corporate life, there begins a new chapter in the history of St. Michael's parish.

REPAIRS TO THE CHURCH

The most pressing matter after the reorganization of the parish, was concerned with the dilapidations which the building had undergone, as the result of neglect and hard usage during the war. Appropriate action was soon taken looking to the needed repairs.

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At a meeting of the congregation held on Saturday, April 2, 1785, the following resolution was adopted:

Whereas the said Church is much out of repair and a Subscription being already made to a considerable amount for repairing the same, it is therefore ordered that Mr. Brearley, Mr. Axford Junr. and Mr. Cox be appointed to inspect the Church in order to ascertain what repairs are necessary to be made to the same, that they make an estimate of the expense thereof and report the same to the Wardens and Vestry on Saturday the 23rd inst., at three of the Clock in the Afternoon at the Academy.

The matter is again alluded to in the minutes of a meeting held a few months later, September 3, 1785, when it is recorded that "Mr. John Singer is appointed to collect the monies subscribed for Repairing the Church."

Presumably the repairs were duly made, and the church building was rendered decently habitable.

On March 24, 1788, it is reported that "The Pew Rents for this year, commencing Easter Monday brought in £71:17:8, payable Quarterly."

The report for 1789 states that the income from pew-rents that year amounted to £72.

A LEGACY FROM ELIJAH BOND

Elijah Bond, who had been connected with the parish from the earliest days, serving on the vestry at least as early as 1754, and who was a warden in 1776, and subsequently continued as a member of the vestry elected in 1783, passed away about this time, leaving a substantial bequest to the parish in his will.

Extract from the will of Elijah Bond. Will dated January 24, 1785; Proved December 20, 1786 (*Wills* "B" 28, 21):

It is my Will and I do hereby order & direct that the sum of £500 be put out at Interest by my executors and the Interest arising thereon I give & bequeath to the Minister of St. Michaels Church in Trenton and his successors forever (the Interest to commence from the appointment of the minister to said St. Michaels Church) in addition to his salary Provided a minister shall be appointed & officiate in said Church within seven years after my decease. If a minister shall not be appointed & officiate within the above mentioned time of seven years then

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I order and direct the said sum of £500 to be paid as is herein after directed. . . .

Executors, Isaac De Cow of Trenton & John Lawrence of Burlington.

At a meeting on April 27, 1789, the following appears on the records:

On motion ordered that Colo. John Cox, Colo. Saml Ogden & Mr. Charles Axford be a Committee to enquire into the state of the Legacy bequeathed to the Minister of this Church by the late Elijah Bond and if the interest is not paid then to report to the next meeting of the Vestry the best mode of Obtaining the same.

There was evidently some difficulty and a long delay in collecting this bequest, if it ever was paid, for six years later at a meeting of the vestry held on Saturday, May 30, 1795.

Charles Axford, A. G. Claypoole and Richard Throckmorton were appointed a committee to ascertain the extent and nature of any donations which may have been made to this Church unreceived and unappropriated. . . .

The committee made a report at a "Meeting of the Congregation of St. Michael's Church held on Saturday October 10, 1795."

The committee appointed at a Special Meeting on the 30th of May, 1795, beg leave to report—

That Elijah Bond in and by his last Will and Testament did bequeath the sum of five hundred pounds to be put out at interest by his executors—the Interest to be paid to the Minister of St. Michael's Church—but the Committee are uninformed whether any or how much of said Interest was paid to the Rev. William Frazer while he officiated as Rector of said Church—and are of opinion that this part of Elijah Bond's Will has not been complied with by Isaac De Cow, the Acting Executor.

That the said Church is entitled by the late Will of George Willocks to one third of the proceeds of certain Lands which have been sold under an Act of Assembly, by Trustees therein named for three hundred and eight pounds, five shillings, and three pence, of which Charles Axford has received in part thirty three pounds, fifteen shillings, for which he holds himself accountable, Etc.

The Committee are further informed that the said St.

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Michael's Church is entitled to a legacy of three pounds under the Will of Sampson Adams, a free black man, deceased, which is in the hands of Maskel Ewing & George Ely, Executors of said Will.

WILLS "B", 103

WILL of George Willocks, of Perth Amboy, DATED January 3, 1728; PROVED February 13, 1728/9.

CODICIL

ITEM. I order and appoint that my Land lying in Monmouth County by Bever Dam Brook be Sold and the money arising from that Sale to be Equally Divided amongst the Churches of Shrewsbury, Burlington and hopewell by my Executors.

WILLS "B" 34, 226:

WILL of Sampson Adams, DATED August 1, 1792; PROVED August 16, 1792.

. . . to the Episcopal Church of Trenton three pounds, to the Presbyterian Church of Trenton three pounds, to the Methodist Church of Trenton three pounds.

THE SAMUEL TUCKER LEGACY

Previously to this report, at a meeting held February 18, 1792:

Charles Axford reported that he had received of Benj. Smith one of the Executors of S. Tucker deceased a legacy left to the Church by said Tucker of £30 with four pounds interest thereon making thirty-four pounds.

WILLS "B" 31, 6:

WILL of Samuel Tucker, DATED October 9, 1788; CODICIL January 12, 1789; PROVED January 24, 1789:

ITEM: I give and bequeath the sum of thirty pounds to the Episcopal Church in Trenton to be paid to the vestry or wardens of said Church in one year after my decease by my executors after named.

CONDITIONS IN ST. MICHAEL'S PARISH

"In a comparative view of the state of the congregations composing the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of New

RESUMPTION OF SERVICES

Jersey, for three years ending May 30, 1810," the following statistics are given for St. Michael's Church:

Number of families	1809, 25	1810, 15
Baptisms	1809, 13	1810, 3
Of marriages and funerals none was reported.		

Among the prominent wardens and vestrymen serving on the vestry (1783-1815) were several who had been members before the war, viz.: Charles Axford and Charles Axford, Jr., Rensselaer Williams, Michajah How, James Emerson, Elijah Bond and Samuel Meredith. The wardens during this period were Rensselaer Williams, Isaac De Cow, David Brearley, Jonathan Rhea, John Rutherford, Joseph Higbee and William Pearson.

Other vestrymen were Col. John Cox, Abraham G. Claypoole, Barnt DeKlyn, Major William Trent, Jacob Hester, Charles Higbee, Richard Howell, James Oram, Robert Singer, Pontius D. Stelle and Col. Samuel Ogden.

LAY DELEGATES TO THE DIOCESAN CONVENTIONS (1786-1815)

Charles Axford	1792
Looe Baker	1814
Hon. David Brearley	1786
Abraham G. Claypoole	1794, 1797, 1799
John Cox	1786, 1790
John Douglass	1786
Jacob Hester	1810
Charles Higbee	1809, 1810, 1815
Joseph Higbee	1810
Samuel Ogden	1789, 1790
James Oram	1810
William Pearson	1800, 1810, 1811
Jonathan Rhea	1795, 1810, 1811, 1814
James A. Stevens	1815
John Vandergrift	1798

Those serving on the "Corporation for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of the Clergy" were Charles Higbee, Joseph Higbee, Samuel Meredith, Joseph McIlvaine and Jonathan Rhea.

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Conventions of the diocese were held in St. Michael's Church in 1790, 1797, 1810 and in 1815.

The deputies to the General Convention belonging to St. Michael's Church during the same period, were the Hon. David Brearley, 1785; Abraham G. Claypoole, 1794-1797; John Cox, 1786, 1789, 1790; Joseph Higbee, 1814; Samuel Ogden, 1789, 1790, and Jonathan Rhea, 1795, 1812.

Lay members serving on the Standing Committee of the diocese were John Cox, 1790, and Abraham G. Claypoole, 1797.

(See Biographical Sketches A and B).

CLERGYMEN SERVING THE PARISH

During the period 1783-1815 St. Michael's was served by the following clergymen, not counting occasional supply:

The Rev. William Frazer	1787-1795
The Rev. Henry Van Dike	1795
The Rev. Henry Waddell	1798-1811
The Rev. John Ward	1811-1813
The Rev. Reuben Sherwood	1814-1815

A report of a committee appointed by the convention held in May 1814 "for the purpose of examining the state of the church in that diocese and ascertaining what improvements had taken place since the sitting of the last General Convention" contain the following in reference to St. Michael's Church:

St. Michael's Church at Trenton is at present destitute of a clergyman. It has however received partial supplies by the appointment of the Convention and the voluntary aids of individual clergymen. The church has lately been very much improved by a new modification of the pulpit and pews and the congregation possesses considerable zeal. Though it is quite small the committee hope under the auspices of the great Head of the Church, some way may be found to afford it the ministration of the word and ordinances.

(Appendix No. 3, *Journals of the Convention of the Diocese of New Jersey*, p. 3, 1785-1816.)

The following references to St. Michael's Church are taken from the Journals of the Diocesan Conventions 1811-1815:

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Wednesday, May 1, 1811.

P. 401: The Rev. Mr. (John) Ward, who has officiated at St. Michael's Church, Trenton, since the decease of the Rev. Dr. Waddell their late Rector, reported, through Jonathan Rhea, Esq. That the number of families in that congregation is about 25; Communicants, 13; Baptisms, since the last report, adults 8 and children 17, 25.

P. 405: The Rev. Dr. (Charles H.) Wharton (of St. Mary's in Burlington) reported, that, owing to indisposition, all the fall and winter, he did not preach in any vacant church, except once at Trenton.

Thursday, May 2, 1811.

P. 408: Appointments to supply vacant churches—The Rev. Dr. Wharton, two Sundays at Trenton.

P. 420: The Rev. John Croes, jun. reported, that agreeably to the appointment of the Convention, he officiated once on a Sunday in July last, at St. Michael's Church, Trenton, which was then vacant. . . .

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Thursday, May 6, 1813.

P. 436: The Rev. Mr. (John) Ward, gave the following statement of this Church, through the Rev. Mr. Bayard. Families, about 25; Communicants, 17; Baptisms, 2.

This Parish has now become vacant, by the removal of the Rev. Mr. Ward, to German-Town, in the Diocese of Pennsylvania.

P. 437: The Rev. John Croes, jun. reported, that he should have fulfilled his appointment to preach at Trenton; but that the Rev. Mr. Ward, having been engaged there, it became unnecessary. . . .

The Rev. Lewis P. Bayard, a Deacon in this diocese, reported, that, in August last, he received, and accepted an invitation from the Wardens and Vestrymen of St. Michael's Church, Trenton, to preach for the term of three months, during the absence of their Minister, the Rev. John Ward. That, in that time, there occurred—

Baptisms (2 infants, 1 adult).....	3
Funerals.....	1

That on the 7th of Dec. he received, and accepted an invitation from the Wardens and Vestrymen of Trinity Church,

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Newark, to preach, during the absence of their Rector, the Rev. Joseph Willard. . . .

STANDING COMMITTEE of the Protestant Episcopal Church in New Jersey, at a Meeting in Elizabeth-Town on Wednesday, May 19, 1813

P. 448: Appointments to supply vacant churches—

The Rev. Dr. Wharton was appointed to officiate two Sundays, at Trenton.

The Rev. Lewis P. Bayard, two Sundays, at Trenton.

P. 462: The Rev. Dr. Cross reported . . .

That he had likewise officiated twice, on the 15th Sunday after Trinity, at St. Michael's Church, Trenton; and twice in the same church, on the third Sunday after Easter. In the latter case he administered the holy communion to 17 persons.

The Rev. Dr. Wharton reported, that he had officiated on One Sunday at St. Michael's, Trenton:

The Rev. Lewis P. Bayard reported, that, agreeably to appointment, by the Convention, he had officiated on two Sundays in St. Michael's Church, Trenton, and . . .

Thursday, May 5, 1814.

P. 466: Appointments to supply vacant churches—

Rev. Dr. Wharton, one Sunday, at Trenton.

P. 467: Rev. Lewis P. Bayard, one Sunday, at Trenton, and . . .

CONVENTION of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the State of New Jersey, Held at Elizabeth-Town, May 3-4, 1815.

Wednesday, May 3, 1815.

P. 497: On motion, resolved, that Mr. Reuben Sherwood, a Candidate for holy orders, now officiating as a lay-reader at Trenton, be admitted to the sittings of this Convention.

P. 498: The Rev. Dr. Croes reported, . . . That, in addition to his appointments, he officiated twice at St. Michael's, Trenton, on the 5th Sunday after Easter, 1814, and baptized one child.

The Rev. Mr. Bayard reported, that he officiated, at St. Michael's Church, Trenton, on the eighth Sunday after Trinity, and baptized two children.

RESUMPTION OF SERVICES

Thursday, May 4, 1815.

P. 502: Appointments to supply vacant churches—

Sunday

The Rev. Dr. Croes, one at Trenton, and
The Rev. Mr. (John Churchill) Rudd (of St.
John's Elizabeth), one at Trenton, and . . .

P. 505: An application was made from the Wardens and Vestry of St. Michael's Church, Trenton, that Mr. S. G. Espie Roberts, a Candidate for Holy Orders, in the Diocese of Pennsylvania, be admitted to officiate as a Lay Reader, in said Church.

The Committee met at Perth Amboy, Tuesday, August 23, 1814.

P. 506: The Rev. Dr. Croes laid before the Committee, certain papers respecting the pious and moral character of Mr. Reuben Sherwood, and his admission, as a Candidate for Holy Orders, in the Diocese of New-York; and made application for a license for him, to perform the office of Lay-Reader, in St. Michael's Church, Trenton. Whereupon, it was resolved, that the President be authorized to make out a license, and give Mr. Sherwood the requisite instructions,

The Committee adjourned,

JOHN CROES, JUN., *President.*

ISAAC COLLINS OF TRENTON PRINTS THE BIBLE

At the fifth convention of the diocese held in Elizabeth Town, Friday, June 5, 1789, the following resolution urging congregations to subscribe for copies of the Bibles printed at the press of Isaac Collins in Trenton was passed:

As correct impressions of the holy scriptures, are of the utmost consequence, and as Mr. Isaac Collins, printer to the state of New Jersey, proposes, to print by subscription, a large quarto (p. 56) impression of the old and new testament on motion of Mr. (John) Cox (of St. Michael's), resolved, that this convention earnestly recommend to the several congregations of this church in the state of New Jersey, to encourage this laudable American undertaking, by procuring subscriptions for the same and affording it every other countenance in their power.

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(From Hall, *History of the Presbyterian Church in Trenton*, p. 119.)

In 1788 Isaac Collins issued proposals to print a quarto edition of the Bible in nine hundred and eighty-four pages at the price of four Spanish dollars, one dollar to be paid at the time of subscribing . . . the quarto edition (five thousand Copies) was published in 1791 . . . Collins' Bible was so carefully revised that it is still a standard. Himself and his Children read all the proofs. . . .

CHAPTER XIV

THE RECTORATE OF THE REV. WILLIAM FRAZER

1787-1795

THERE is no mention in the Convention Journals, until 1790, of any clergyman settled in St. Michael's Parish, or of the appointment of any to furnish services or ministrations. In the Journal of 1790, the Rev. William Frazer's name appears for the first time as being in charge.

THE REV. WILLIAM FRAZER ENGAGED

In the minutes of the vestry under date July 23, 1787, is the following note:

They engaged the Revd. Wm. Frazier to preach at the said Church every other Sunday and agreed to give him the Rent of the Pews in said Church to be collected and paid quarterly.

Under date Dec. 8, 1788:

The Rev'd Mr. William Frazer personally came and consented and agreed to take upon himself the duties and Office of minister & Rector of the aforesaid Church, and thereupon he subscribed the Declaration contained in the Ninth Article of the Rules and Regulations for the Government of the Church: And he the said Rev'd William Frazer was then duly and regularly Inducted into the said Church.

It would appear therefore that from the time when the church was reopened, after the war in 1783 until 1787, that the services were of such an intermittent kind that no record was made.

Probably Mr. Frazer, previous to his permanent engagement officiated in St. Michael's from time to time as opportunity offered. During the war he had remained at his post at St. Andrew's Church, Amwell, and as suggested in Parker's *Historical Sketches* (p. 110) it is in every way probable that he held services at Trenton, since he records marriages, baptisms and funerals of Trenton people during the years 1769-1785.

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THE REV. MR. FRAZER'S WORK AT AMWELL

In his account of St. Andrew's Church, Amwell, Parker (*Historical Sketches*, p. 9) gives the following account of Mr. Frazer's work there:

The Rev'd William Frazer reports to the Society (S.P.G.) his arrival in May 1768 and says: "At Amwell there is the shell of a small stone church built as I am informed about 17 years ago, but never finished. (This must have been the second building.) There I officiate every 3d Sunday to a full congregation chiefly of dissenters . . . the situation of this Church truly lamentable; there being at present no more than 3 families who profess themselves members of our Church." May 20, 1769, he writes that "the Church continues in the same shattered condition, but I am in hopes of having it repaired this summer." September 28, 1769: "In a few weeks I am in hopes of seeing this long neglected building completely and decently furnished." November 7, 1770: "Our congregation at Amwell rather increases."

THE CHURCH AT AMWELL (RINGOES)

Snell, *History of Hunterdon and Somerset Counties*, p. 358.

CHURCHES

So early as 1725 an Episcopal church was in existence at Ringoes. It was built of logs, and was located just beyond the railroad station.¹ It was organized under a charter from the Crown by a missionary of the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel in Foreign Parts.² Both organization and edifice have long since ceased to exist, and at the present time no Episcopal society is to be found in East Amwell.

¹An indenture made January 22, 1725, between Wm. LummoX, and John Knowles and Duncan Oliphant, all of Amwell township, witnesseth, that "in consideration of the sum of five shillings of current silver money," Wm. LummoX conveyed unto Knowles and Oliphant a tract of land containing eleven acres, "being a part of the plantation whereon the said Wm. LummoX now lives," the bounds of which began in the line of Wm. LummoX and Francis Moore's land, and ran "by land of Godfrey Peters, crossing the King's road" (the Old York Road); being part of a larger tract purchased by LummoX of Nathan Allen of Monmouth. This conveyance was in "trust to the sole benefit and towards the settling of the Church of England ministry, and for no other intent or purpose whatsoever." Sealed and delivered in presence of John Parke, Nathaniel Pettit, John S. Locker, Christopher Becket, etc., and attested by John Reading.

²*First Century of Hunterdon County*, Rev. Dr. Mott.

RECTORATE OF WILLIAM FRAZER

The successor to the old parish at Amwell bears the name *St. Andrew's Church Amwell at Lambertville*, and was incorporated in 1845. The town of Lambertville is within the limits of the ancient parish of Amwell.

On Christmas Day 1784, as soon as possible after the cessation of hostilities, the Rev. Mr. Frazer reopened the church at Amwell and resumed his pastoral activities.

The following certificate signed by the wardens and vestrymen testifies to the high esteem in which he was held in the community:

We the subscribers, wardens and vestrymen of St. Andrews Church in the township of Amwell, County of Hunterdon and western Division of the State of New Jersey do certify and declare That the Rev'd William Frazer did open his Church in said Amwell on Christmas Day last and has ever since regularly performed divine service in the same; and as far as consistent with our knowledge his conduct and behaviour has been prudent and exemplary in every respect, becoming a minister of the Gospel.

Witness our hand this seventeenth Day of September 1785.

EVANS GODOWN, ROBERT SHARP, *wardens*.

JOHN ROBESON, JOHN ANDERSON, JONAS CHATBURN,

SAMUEL OPDYCKE, JOHN MILDRUM, ROBERT STEVENSON,

JOHN TATTERSON, DAVID HEATH, JOHN WELCH, *vestrymen*.

(Snell, *History of Hunterdon and Somerset Counties*, p. 281.)

THE REV. MR. FRAZER'S DIARY

In Hall's *History of the Presbyterian Church in Trenton*, (pp. 211, 212) there are some notes regarding the Rev. William Frazer taken from a diary which he kept, and which was continued by his wife after his death.

The Rev. William Frazer, rector of St. Michael's Protestant Episcopal Church from 1788 to 1795, kept a boys' school in Trenton for a considerable time. To this school the sons of many prominent families of Burlington, Philadelphia, &c., were sent. Rev. Mr. Frazer, and after him his widow, kept a diary of daily events, in which may be found mention of very many names, incidents and occurrences which illustrate vividly the social life of Trenton during that period. . . .

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On the following 8th of December, 1788, Mr. Frazer accepted the position and was formally inducted, the connection of Mr. Armstrong with the Presbyterian Church beginning about the same time, and the two congregations, as well as their respective pastors and families, maintaining much of religious as well as social fellowship—greatly promoted by the fact that for many years both ministers were absent from Trenton at other settlements, on alternate Sabbaths, and the people were much in the habit of worshipping together. . . . I have a sermon of Rev. Mr. Frazer's on Affliction, Job 5: 6, 7, with the following note by his widow:

"The last sermon my dearest and ever beloved Mr. Frazer preached in his church in Trenton in the forenoon of the 28th of June, Samuel Stockton, Esq., being buried in the afternoon and a sermon preached on the solemn occasion by the Rev. Mr. Armstrong.

"This sermon was the first object that presented itself to my view as it lay on my dear husband's desk in his study, the first time I entered that room after his death; and which I could not help thinking was put there for my comfort, as it afforded me great consolation, as it appeared to me that although he was taken from me, he yet spoke comfort to my afflicted heart. R.F.

The sermon was preached in St. Michael's Episcopal Church on June 28, 1795. (See S. D. Alexander, *Princeton College during the Eighteenth Century*, p. 270.)

There is a note concerning the Rev. Mr. Frazer in *The Letters of Moore Furman* (p. 90):

Mr. Frazer, born 1743, married Rebecca, daughter of Rev. Colin Campbell of Burlington and Martha Bard, his wife, and died July 6, 1795.

Mr. Frazer was of the distinguished Scottish family of that name and his wife of the family of the Duke of Argyle and celebrated Tory family of Bard, to which Washington's New York physician belonged. He was sent out as a missionary to America and in 1768 took charge of St. Michael's Trenton; St. Andrews, Amwell; St. Thomas, Kingwood and a small mission at Mesconetcong, where he labored until the breaking out of the Revolution. As he was supported by the British missionary Society, he felt it his duty to continue praying for the Royal Family, which made him obnoxious to the Patriots. He was unable to continue holding services, but was so tactful and gentle that as soon as the war was over he was able to resume his ministry.

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Under date November 26, 1791, (p. 89) Moore Furman writes:

Mr. and Mrs. Hamilton came to town last night; they have brought their son to put to boarding school to our Episcopal Church Parson.

The Hamiltons here alluded to were General Alexander Hamilton, aide to Washington, and subsequently the first secretary of the treasury, and his wife, Elizabeth Schuyler, daughter of General Philip Schuyler. The boy placed at Mr. Frazer's School was Philip, their eldest son, a brilliant young man who was killed in a duel in 1801 at the age of 20.

The body of the Rev. William Frazer was buried in St. Michael's churchyard. Subsequently when the church building was extended over the graves of the Frazer family a stone was imbedded in the east wall giving the names of its members. A copy of the original inscription on the tombstone of William Frazer has been preserved and reads as follows:

In memory of the Rev. William Frazer of St. Michael's Church Trenton and St. Andrew's Amwell, who departed this life the 6th day of July, 1795, aged 52 years. If gentleness and inoffensive manners, benevolence and meekness, can secure the goodwill of man as certainly as sincere piety will recommend to the favor of God, then has Frazer joined the inhabitants of heaven, and not left an enemy on earth.

THE REV. HENRY VAN DIKE

Following the death of the Rev. William Frazer, July 6, 1795, at a meeting of the congregation on October 10 of the same year, there appears the following minute:

The Rev. Mr. Van Dike having proposed to officiate in said Church once every four weeks so long as the same shall be destitute of a minister resident at Trenton, for which he demands fifty pounds per Annum. It is agreed that the said proposal be acceded to; the Salary to commence on the 1st day of October Inst. That the Rents of the Pews having ceased at the time of Mr. Frazer's death be considered as commenced a new on the first Instant and at the former rates.

It is the opinion of this meeting that £100 per annum can be raised for the support of a Rector of this Church.

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SKETCH OF THE REV. HENRY VAN DIKE

The Rev. Henry Van Dike was a native of New York City, born on Nassau Street in 1740. He was graduated from King's College (Columbia) in the class of 1761. He became a candidate for Holy Orders and subsequently had charge of churches in Milford and West Haven, Conn. He became rector of Christ Church, Poughkeepsie, in 1789, remaining there until 1791. In the same year he accepted a call to Christ Church, Perth Amboy, at the same time having Christ Church, New Brunswick, under his care. In 1793 he accepted a call to St. Mary's Church, Burlington. In 1797 he became rector of St. James' Church, Newtown, Long Island, which was his last charge, holding it until his death in 1804. (See *Hist. St. Peter's Church, Perth Amboy*, 1924, pp. 89, 90 abridged.)

During the period of his rectorate of St. Mary's Burlington, the Rev. Mr. Van Dike also had charge of Moorestown, and particularly of St. Andrew's, Mount Holly.

The Rev. Charles Henry Wharton then at Bristol, Pa., had been considered for the vacant rectorship.

October 10, 1795. On motion seconded and agreed that Abr. G. Claypoole, Mr. Pearson & Jonathan Rhea be a committee to correspond with the Church of Bristol to take up the letter read in favor of the Rev^d. Mr. Wharton and inform him what this church is willing to do for a Rector who may be approved by them; and give him such other information that they may be able to collect.

The call was declined; perhaps the inducements held out by the vestry were not favorably regarded by Mr. Wharton.

The Rev. Mr. Wharton here alluded to was the Rev. Charles Henry Wharton, one of the men most instrumental in framing the Constitution, and forming the Prayer Book. He accepted the rectorship of St. Mary's Church, Burlington, in 1796. In 1801 he was chosen president of Columbia College in New York, but resigned after one year when he resumed his rectorship of St. Mary's, Burlington, and continued there until his death in 1833, in the eighty-sixth year of his age.

CHAPTER XV

THE RECTORATE OF THE REVEREND HENRY WADDELL

1798-1811

THE REV. JOHN WARD 1811-1813

THE REV. REUBEN SHERWOOD 1814-1815

PROBABLY the Rev. Henry Van Dike continued for a season to officiate "once every four weeks" while the parish was looking for a suitable clergyman, as a permanent rector. The choice finally fell upon the Rev. Henry Waddell, to whom several references in connection with the conventions of the diocese have been previously made. His election was announced at a meeting of the vestry held April 14, 1798.

At a Meeting of the Wardens & Vestry of St. Michael's Church, April 14, 1798.

A letter from the Revd Henry Waddell signifying that he is desirous of removing to this City and willing to devote half his time (that is) every other Sunday to this Congregation as their Rector and minister for the annual sum of one hundred and twenty five pounds payable quarter yearly, was read—

Whereupon it was resolved that the Revd Henry Waddell be invited to officiate as Rector & Minister of this Church, and that upon his accepting the said Invitation and his induction into the Ministry of this Church, the said Wardens & Vestry will pay unto the said Henry Waddell the sum of one hundred and twenty five pounds annually to be paid quarterly for his services as aforesaid.

Resolved that Jonathan Rhea & Abraham G. Claypoole be a committee to invite the Revd Henry Waddell to the Ministry of this Church.

Followed by a letter of acceptance by Rev. Henry Waddell, dated Trenton, April 16, 1798.

At a Meeting of the Wardens & Vestry of St. Michael's Church, May 27, 1798.

The Rev. Henry Waddell was inducted into the Rectory (rectorship) of this Church by Robert Pearson, one of the

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Wardens, who led him into the Church, delivered him the key thereof, & pronounced these words: "By order of the Wardens & Vestry of St. Michael's Church in Trenton, I induct you into the real & actual possession of the Rectory (rectorship) of said Church with all its appurtenances."

(Pew Rent for the coming year £76:15:0.)

The rectorate of the Rev. Henry Waddell was to continue for thirteen years, and was only terminated by his death in 1811.

Here are some notes regarding burials in the churchyard:

Annual Meeting on Easter Monday, April 14, 1800, for election of officers.

Ordered that the sexton shall not suffer the Body of any Person who did not in his life time belong to this Church, to be buried in the yard without the leave in writing of the Minister and one Warden; or, in the Minister's absence, without the leave of one Warden—

Ordered that not less than one nor more than Ten Dollars at the Discretion be paid for the liberty of interring in the Church yard the corpse of a stranger or one not holding a seat in this Church, or contributing to the support of the Minister. The money to be received & accounted for by the Sexton.

Ordered that the Sexton shall deliver to the Minister of this Church, every three months, an exact account of the number of burials in the Church yard, and the names of the persons interred.

Adjourned to meet on the last Monday in May for the purpose of letting the Pews for the ensuing year.

A legacy to the church is reported.

At a Meeting of the Wardens & Trustees of St. Michael's Church on the 27th of April, 1801.

The Rev. Mr. Waddell reported that he and Charles Axford had received a warrant from the Eastern Proprietors for 142½ Acres of land in full of a devise made by the last Will and Testament of George Willox deceased, to the Churches of Burlington, Shrewsbury and Trenton—Whereupon resolved That the Revd Mr. Waddell and Charles Axford be requested to sell the right of this Church, to the said Warrant and take Bond and security for the payment of the purchase money in the names of the Trustees of this Church and their successors.

RECTORATE OF HENRY WADDELL

A FINANCIAL CRISIS

The financial affairs of the parish were now causing considerable concern; the salary of the rector being in arrears as appears from the following report made at a meeting of the vestry held on April 27, 1801:

The Rev. Mr. Waddell presented his account for his salary of One Hundred and twenty-five pounds a year to be Paid quarterly, whereby it appears that on the first day of May Next there will be a ballance due to him of the sum of sixty-seven Pounds One shilling and four pence half penny.

Conditions must have gone from bad to worse until they reached a climax seven years later, when a special committee was appointed, consisting of Jonathan Rhea and Charles Higbee. A meeting of the wardens and trustees was held March 7, 1808, "to investigate the temporal concerns of the Church and report thereon on the 21st Instant."

The following is the report of the committee and reveals the financial depths to which the parish had sunk at this time. The report is here printed in full, together with the answer returned by the Rev. Mr. Waddell to the singular proposition made to him.

Special Meeting of the Wardens & Trustees of St. Michael's Church March 7, 1808.

Resolved that Jonathan Rhea and Charles Higbee be a Committee to investigate the temporal concerns of the Church & report thereon by the 21st Instant.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE

By virtue of the above resolution your Committee beg leave to report, that they have made every investigation within their power, & are sorry not only for the sake of Episcopacy in General but this Church in particular, that they have found the temporal concerns of St. Michaels to be in a very wretched and impoverished state. From the best estimate they can make, they do not believe that more than one Hundred & eighty Dollars can be raised for the support of their Pastor the ensuing year. That by a letter that they have recd from him it appears, that the arrearages of salary, which will be due to him, will on the 1st day of May next amount to \$1079. That many of the original

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subscribers are insolvent & several have died. That among those who are able to pay, the following arrears for subscriptions and pew rent appears to be due, to wit from Robert Pearson \$62, Capt Barnt D Klyne \$60.75, from William Pearson \$69.60, The Rev. Nathl Harris \$24 and some other smaller sums. That besides the arrears due for subscriptions & pew rents, the only property of the church consists of a small share of a few propriety rights, a lot of wood land in the Township of Trenton near Ebenezer Rose's, & the Interest due on a legacy of £500 bequeathed by the last will of the late Elijah Bond, deceased. From the large amount of arrears due to the Revernd Dr. Waddell & from the very few Members who appear disposed to support the Church, your Committee are of opinion, that it will be impossible to collect all those arrears, and as a final settlement ought to be made with Dr. Waddell, they beg leave to recommend the following, as the only means in the power of the congregation to obtain a final settlement, to wit, that the Trustees give him full authority to recover & receive all such arrears as are or may be due on the first day of May next for subscriptions & pew rents. That they transfer to him the right of the Church to the propriety rights now in his hands. That they convey to him in fee the lot of Wood land near E. Rose's, and that they give him full power to recover all the arrears of Interest due on the legacy bequeathed by the late Elijah Bond deceased. Your Committee are fully convinced that this is all that can be done, and if the Reverend Dr. Waddell should think proper to accede to such terms of settlement, your committee would further recommend, that the Church should engage to use all lawfull ways & means in their power to raise as much money as they possibly can by subscriptions & pew rents & punctually pay the same to him quarter yearly for his next year's salary. Your Committee seriously lament the drooping situation of our church, & from necessity are compelled to believe that unless the suggested compromise can be effected, the wholesome, pleasant & true doctrine of the gospel, inculcated & taught by their worthy Pastor must at least be suspended until a more favorable season.

JONATHAN RHEA,
CHARLES HIGBEE.

Meeting of the Trustees & Wardens of St. Michael's Church
March 21, 1808.

The report of Jonathan Rhea & Charles Higbee being read,

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It was ordered that the same be accepted, entered on the minutes & in all things confirmed.

Resolved that a Copy of the Minutes from the 7th to the 21st of March, 1808, including the report be served on the Rev. Dr. Waddell by Mr. James Oram, and that the said Mr. Oram request his answer to the proposal made in the report of the Committee before the first of May next.

THE REV. DR. WADDELL'S VIEW OF THE PROPOSITION

Annual Meeting, Easter Monday, April 18, 1808.

The answer of the Rev. Dr. Waddell to the Report of the Committee reported on March 21, 1808, being read, was on motion accepted, and J. Rhea, Charles Higbee & John L. Nugent appointed a Committee on the same.

"The Rev. Dr. Waddell presents his best Respects & good wishes to the Wardens and Trustees of St. Michael's Church, and informs them that, owing to the smallness of their number (and the insolvency & Removal of some of the original subscribers), he is well convinced that it is not in their power to fulfill their first Agreement with their Minister, without great inconvenience to themselves, he therefore cheerfully accedes to the Report of the Committee, & the proposal of the Trustees as to the future salary, relying upon their Endeavors to raise it by subscriptions above the pittance of \$180 and also that they will continue their efforts to collect the old debt from former subscribers. It will not suit Mr. Waddell to undertake the Collection of the old debt, because it was never intended that he should be put to the Trouble of collecting it, and in many cases it might subject him to abuse & insult. It would be better to relinquish the whole debt, than to collect it on such terms. Mr. Waddell also expects that the Trustees will be at the Expense of instituting a suit for the Recovery of Mr. Bond's Legacy, as the Church will be benefited in future by the recovery, but he has no objection to bear his proportion of the Expense. Mr. Waddell being much more infirm than he was a few years ago, finds it impossible for him to go thro the Church services twice in one day, but whenever he is able to do so, he will perform the service & preach once in two weeks.

Trenton, 16th April, 1808."

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DEATH OF THE REV. HENRY WADDELL

The Rev. Mr. Waddell died January 20, 1811. He seems to have been a man of marked ability, a fine preacher, a devoted pastor and much beloved by his flock.

In Parker's *Historical Sketches* (p. 112) are printed the following facts as to his career:

Rev'd HENRY WADDELL. He was a lay delegate, from Christ Church, Shrewsbury, to the Conventions of 1786 and 1787; and at once assumed a prominent part. Was a member of the Committee which draughted the first Ecclesiastical Constitution, and to prepare the Memorial to the General Convention against the "Proposed Book;" was elected a Lay Deputy to the General Convention, and attended as such in October 1786; was ordered Priest, by Bishop Provost in New York City, October 27, 1787, and was present at the Convention of 1788, as Minister of Christ Church, Shrewsbury; was elected Clerical Deputy for New Jersey, and attended as such, at the Convention of 1789. From that time forth, until his death, he was most prominent in all Church matters in the Conventions, General and Diocesan; was Secretary of the House of Bishops, and a member of the Standing Committee of N.J. He is buried in the Churchyard, and his tombstone is thus inscribed:

Sacred to the memory of Rev'd HENRY WADDELL, D.D. Rector of St. Michael's Church, who departed this life January 20, 1811, in the 62d year of his age.

"A faithful and affectionate pastor; a sincere and zealous Christian; an amiable and honest man. His body is buried in peace, but his soul shall live forever."

The *Trenton Federalist* under date of January 28, 1811, printed the following obituary notice:

Died. On Sunday morning the 20th inst. the Rev'd Henry Waddell in the sixty-sixth year of his age. He was faithful in the ministry of Jesus Christ, and for many years pastor of St. Michael's Church in Trenton. During a life of virtuous innocence he discharged his duty with becoming charity. In his friendship he was sincere—in his affections—sometime before his death he was subject to fevers, etc.

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THE REV. JOHN WARD

After the death of the Rev. Mr. Waddell, the Rev. John Ward officiated in 1813, when he removed to Germantown, Pennsylvania. Who this Mr. Ward was seems not very clear; his name is not found in the list of clergy of those days, appended to the Journals of the General Convention.

Meeting of the Wardens & Vestry on February 18, 1811. Jonathan Rhea and Charles Higbee appointed a Committee of Correspondence with sundry Divines in this and other States in procuring a Pastor of said Church, in place of the Rev. Dr. Waddell, deceased.

Rev. Mr. Ward having consented to perform Divine Service in this Church twice every Sabbath until the first of May next; accepted.

Meeting of Wardens & Vestry on April 28, 1811.

Rev. Mr. Ward departed from St. Michael's on April 29th, for which he received \$30.

Meeting of Wardens & Vestry on July 1, 1811.

A letter from Rev. Mr. Rudd containing an extract of a letter from Rev. Mr. Ward to him, said—"If the good people of St. Michael's are disposed to listen to my feeble voice, and can make provision for my decent support, I shall cheerfully return to them."

Mr. Jona Rhea & Charles Higbee appointed a Committee to invite the Rev. John Ward to the Rectorship of this Church, for one year at a salary of \$350.

Meeting of Wardens & Vestry, July 24, 1811.

Jona Rhea & Charles Higbee reported that they wrote to Rev. John Ward on the 2d instant, inviting him to the Rectorship of St. Michael's.

Rev. Mr. Ward replied accepting the Rectorship, expecting to arrive in Trenton about the 1st of August.

The Rev. Mr. Ward arrived in Trenton on Thursday, August 1, 1811, and officiated on Sunday, August 4, 1811, for one year.

Meeting of Wardens & Vestry, May 24, 1812.

On February 8, 1812, six months salary, from August 4, 1811 to February 4, 1812, paid to Rev. Mr. Ward, \$175.00.

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ALTERATIONS TO THE CHURCH

Meeting of Wardens & Vestry December 7, 1812.

It is agreed that the Church be altered agreeably to the plans submitted by Alexander Witherup.

Ordered that the Rev. Mr. Ward & Joseph Higbee be appointed a Committee to solicit contributions in the cities of Philadelphia & Baltimore.

Ordered that Jona Rhea & Charles Higbee be appointed a Committee to solicit contributions in the cities of New York & Boston.

Ordered that George Woodruff, William Pearson & William Browne, be appointed a Committee for the same purpose, in the States of New Jersey & Pennsylvania generally.

And also ordered that Pearson Hunt, Jacob Hester & Alexander Witherup be a Committee for like purpose in the city of Trenton.

Ordered that Pearson Hunt be appointed the Treasurer of this Church, for the purpose of receiving & taking care of all the contributions monies which may be collected by the foregoing Committees.

Ordered that the Rev. Mr. Ward, Joseph Higbee & William A. Browne be a Committee to contract for & Superintend the alterations proposed to be made to the Church.

A LAY READER ENGAGED

Meeting of Wardens & Vestry, June 25, 1814.

Resolved that as soon as Mr. Roberts obtains the order of a Deacon of the Episcopal Church, this Congregation will upon his acceptance of the Rectorship of this Church pay to him the annual Sum of \$300 to be paid half yearly, for one year from the time he may be ordained—And that they will in the meantime pay to him at the rate of \$200 per year for his services in reading prayers and Sermons every Sunday in St. Michael's Church, to commence from the time he first officiated in said Church.

THE REV. REUBEN SHERWOOD

Meeting of Wardens & Vestry on Monday, March 27, 1815.

Whereas Mr. Roberts declines officiating in this Church in conformity with the Resolution of June 25, 1814, the Wardens have engaged Mr. Reuben Sherwood to officiate as a Rector for

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the sum of \$300 per annum, and that his salary be paid to commence from August 20th last.

Meeting of Wardens & Vestry, Monday, September 11, 1815.

Resolved that as Mr. Reuben Sherwood has obtained the order of a Deacon it be expedient to raise his Salary to the sum of \$600 pr annum.

At a Meeting of the Wardens & Vestry of St. Michael's Church, Trenton, held on Tuesday 12th Dec. 1815 to take into consideration a proposition made by the Rev. Mr. Sherwood which being a dissolution between him and said Church; it was unanimously agreed that he should have permission to withdraw.

It was further agreed that Charles Higbee & Pearson Hunt be a Committee to correspond with the Bishop for a supply to fill the vacancy occasioned by the Rev. Mr. Sherwood's withdrawing from said Church.

REV. JOHN WARD

Hotchkin, *Ancient and Modern Germantown, Mt. Airy and Chestnut Hill*, p. 80: Rev. Mr. Ward, in 1813, came here, and five months after moved to Lexington, Kentucky. (Rector of St. Luke's Episcopal Church in Germantown.)

REV. REUBEN SHERWOOD

Yale Biographies and Annals, 1805-1815 (State Library), p. 602, shows that:

REUBEN SHERWOOD was born at Mill Hill in Fairfield, Conn., in 1789 or 1790. Graduate of Yale. Ordained a Deacon at Middletown, Conn., June 6, 1815. "In the same year he took charge of St. Paul's Church, Norwalk, Conn., where on November 4, 1816, Bishop Hobart, of New York, admitted him to priest's orders, though he was not formally instituted to the rectorship of St. Paul's until December, 1819." In 1835, he became rector of St. James' Church in Hyde Park, Dutchess County, N.Y., where he died on May 11, 1856.

CHAPTER XVI

THE GENERAL CONVENTION OF 1801 MEETS IN ST. MICHAEL'S CHURCH

BISHOP MOORE CONSECRATED
THE THIRTY-NINE ARTICLES ESTABLISHED

THE first and only General Convention of the Episcopal Church ever held in the state of New Jersey assembled in St. Michael's Church, Trenton, September 8-12, 1801. The House of Bishops at that time numbered only six members, Bishop William White, of Pennsylvania, who was the presiding bishop, having succeeded to that office on the death of Bishop Seabury in 1796; Bishop James Madison of Virginia; Bishop Thomas John Clagett of Maryland; Bishop Robert Smith of South Carolina; Bishop Edward Bass of Massachusetts and Bishop Abraham Jarvis of Connecticut. Of these bishops only three were present, viz.: White, Clagett and Jarvis. Nineteen clerical deputies were in attendance, representing seven states: Massachusetts, Connecticut, New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Delaware and Maryland; and nine lay deputies in all, from Connecticut, New York, New Jersey, Delaware and Maryland.

The clerical deputies from New Jersey, chosen for that convention, were the Rev. Dr. Wharton of St. Mary's Church, Burlington, the Rev. Dr. Uzal Ogden of Trinity Church, Newark, the Rev. John Croes of Christ Church, New Brunswick, and the Rev. Menzies Rayner of St. John's Church, Elizabeth. The lay deputies were Colonel Samuel Ogden of Newark, John Rutherford of Trenton, Matthias Williamson of Elizabeth, and John Dennis, Sr., of New Brunswick. John Rutherford, then warden of St. Michael's Church, Trenton, does not seem to have taken his seat, as in a resolution passed at the diocesan convention in 1802, thanking the lay deputies for their services at the General Convention, his name is omitted. The secretary to the House of Bishops was the Rev. Henry Waddell, then rector of St. Michael's Church.

GENERAL CONVENTION OF 1801

The president of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies was the Rev. Abraham Beach, D.D., and its secretary was the Rev. Ashbel Baldwin, chaplain to congress. The sermon was preached by Bishop White at the opening service held in St. Michael's Church, on Tuesday, September 8. In default of a quorum adjournment was taken to the day following.

The business sessions of the convention for both houses were held in the State House, which had been placed at the disposal of the convention by the governor. Before adjournment on Saturday, September 12, the secretary of the House of Bishops was "requested to return the thanks of this convention to the governor for the use of the rooms in the State House."

Perhaps the fact that the governor, Richard Howell, had been a vestryman of St. Michael's Church, accounts for the permission accorded to the convention to hold its meetings in the State House.

THE CONSECRATION OF REV. BENJAMIN MOORE D.D.

During this convention, the Reverend Benjamin Moore, D.D., rector of Trinity Church, New York, was consecrated bishop-coadjutor for the Diocese of New York, at a service held on Friday, September 11, in St. Michael's Church. Dr. Moore had been unanimously elected by that diocese to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Bishop Provoost in 1801, which resignation, however, the House of Bishops had refused to accept, on the ground that "such resignation was not consistent with ecclesiastical order, or with the practice of Episcopal churches in any ages, or with the tenor of the Office of Consecration." Though Dr. Moore was consecrated on the distinct understanding that he was to be regarded as an "assistant or coadjutor bishop during Bishop Provoost's lifetime" the Diocese of New York, which had elected him as Bishop of the Diocese "to succeed Bishop Provoost," paid no attention to the "explicit declaration" of the House of Bishops, and proceeded to speak of him and treat him as "head of the Church" in New York. The consecration sermon was preached by Bishop White, and the co-consecrators with him were Bishop Clagett and Bishop Jarvis.

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The Federal and New Jersey State Gazette published the following in its issue of September 15, 1801:

On Friday last, the Rev. Benjamin Moore D.D. Rector of Trinity Church in New York was consecrated in St. Michael's Church in this City, co-adjutor to the Right Rev. Dr. Provoost, Bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Church in New York, by the Right Rev. Bishop White of Pennsylvania, Bishop Claggett of Maryland and Bishop Jarvis of Connecticut. The principal part of the service was celebrated by Bishop White, who also delivered a sermon appropriate to the occasion, which did high honor to his head and heart and which we are happy to learn is to be published. The solemnity was edifying and impressive; and the pleasure which it afforded, not a little augmented, from a reflection on the excellent qualifications of the Right Rev. Dr. Moore and the pledge which he has given in his past conduct, that the duties of his new station will be discharged by him with honor to himself, to his church and to the Christian Religion.

THE THIRTY-NINE ARTICLES ESTABLISHED

The most memorable action which was taken by the convention was the "Establishment" of the Thirty-Nine Articles, on September 12, 1801.

After long delay and many fruitless attempts at amendment or substitution the Articles were now ordered appended to the Prayer Book "as accepted historical theological statements and as committing the Church to the general doctrinal position of the Church of England in regard to the controversy with Rome out of which they sprang; but no canon concerning a special subscription to them was then, or has at any time since been enacted."

Only such unimportant alterations and changes were made in the English version of the Articles as were necessitated by the different political relations of the American Church, and to render the same consistent with changes in the Liturgy.

If the reader will turn to the back of the Book of Common Prayer of present use, he will find the Thirty-nine Articles printed as an appendix. The Title Page will show that the same were "established" by action of the General Convention in 1801.

GENERAL CONVENTION OF 1801

Thus after one hundred and twenty-five years there still remains a visible present memorial of the historic meeting held in St. Michael's Church, Trenton, in 1801.

The following is a typographical reproduction of the Title Page, as it appears today in the Prayer Book:

Two other matters of minor interest may be mentioned. The following Canon was proposed in the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies and negatived:

No Lay Deputy shall be admitted as a member of this House, who shall not have been a communicant of the Protestant Episcopal Church for at least one year previous to his appointment.

A SERVICE FOR THE INDUCTION OF MINISTERS

At the diocesan convention held previously in Perth Amboy, June 5 and 6, of that same year, the following resolution was adopted:

On motion, it was unanimously agreed that the delegates of this Church to the General Convention be requested to use their endeavors to obtain a General Form of induction of clergymen into our Churches; and also such a measure of the Body as shall occasion, as far as possible, the respective Churches in union with it to engage their ministers for life and to make provision for their decent support.

This was a much needed Office, and the recommendations with which the Resolution closed, relative to the life-tenorship of a clergyman in his rectorship, and a provision for his decent support, were even more imperative if the best relations were to be fostered between a pastor and his congregation, and his self-respect as a "laborer worthy of his hire," was to be preserved.

At the General Convention of 1804 *An Office of Induction of ministers into Parishes and Churches* was set forth, the title of which was changed in 1808 to the *Office of Institution*.

Thus the initiative taken by the New Jersey convention had a fruitful result.

(See, *Journal of the General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church* 1801.)

ARTICLES OF RELIGION;

AS ESTABLISHED BY

The Bishops, the Clergy, and the Laity

OF

THE PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH

IN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

In Convention,

ON THE TWELFTH DAY OF SEPTEMBER,

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD

1801.

CHAPTER XVII

THE OBTAINING OF THE EPISCOPATE

THE REVEREND UZAL OGDEN REJECTED

THE FIRST BISHOP OF NEW JERSEY, THE RIGHT REVEREND
JOHN CROES

1815-1832

PERHAPS the thing that did most to raise the church in New Jersey out of the depths into which it had sunk, as the result of the war, was the obtaining of the episcopate, in 1815.

New Jersey was the ninth state to receive a bishop of its own, and this not until twenty-seven years after the episcopate had been secured for the American Church. John Croes, the first bishop of New Jersey, stands sixteenth in the line of the American succession. Connecticut, Massachusetts, Rhode Island, New York, Pennsylvania, Maryland, Virginia and South Carolina had all previously secured bishops. No wonder that the church life in New Jersey languished. The marvel is that it should have contrived to survive at all. It is a truism that a body cannot function apart from its head, and the church in this diocese had no head, for the first thirty years of its independent existence.

AN ABORTIVE ATTEMPT TO SECURE A BISHOP

An abortive attempt to obtain a bishop had been made as early as 1798. An "adjourned convention" was held in New Brunswick August 15, 1798, "for the express purpose of deliberating on the expediency of electing a bishop." The Rev. Henry Waddell, then president of the convention, was absent at the opening of the sessions, but appeared later. The other clergy present were, Uzal Ogden, John Croes, Andrew Fowler, Menzies Rayner, Walter C. Gardiner and John Wade. Lay deputies were present from twenty-two congregations, including John Vandergrift from St. Michael's Church, Trenton. There seem to have been no nominations made. The choice of the convention for bishop fell upon the Rev. Uzal Ogden, D.D., rector of Trinity

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Church, Newark, and he was declared elected to that office by unanimous vote of the clergy present, and the representatives of seventeen congregations.

GENERAL CONVENTION REFUSED CONFIRMATION

The house of deputies of the general convention of 1799 refused to confirm the action of the diocesan convention, on the ostensible ground of doubt as to the regularity of the election.

The resolution passed referring to this matter, reads as follows:

Whereas doubts have arisen in the minds of some members of the Convention, whether all the Priests who voted in the election of the Rev. Uzal Ogden D.D. to the office of Bishop in the State of New Jersey were so qualified as to constitute them a majority of resident and officiating Priests in the said State, according to the meaning of the Canon in this case made and provided: And whether as in a matter of so great importance to the interests of religion and the honor of our Church, it is not only necessary that they should concur in recommending to an office so very sacred, should have a firm conviction of the fitness of the person they recommend but that they should also be perfectly satisfied with respect to the regularity of every step which had been taken in the business,

Resolved therefore That in the opinion of the House of Deputies, all proceedings respecting the Consecration of the Rev. Uzal Ogden D.D. ought to be suspended until a future Convention of the State of New Jersey should declare their own sense of the subject.

THE DIOCESAN CONVENTION OF 1799

At a special diocesan convention held at Perth Amboy, on October 16 and 17, 1799, the action of the general convention as submitted above came up for discussion. Only four clergymen are recorded as present, and the representatives of fourteen parishes.

A series of resolutions were voted upon, relating to the subject of the regularity of Dr. Ogden's election, the third and final resolution was one declaring "his election regular in every respect." Dr. Ogden refrained from voting, two clergymen voted in the

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affirmative, and one, the Rev. Mr. Waddell in the negative. Of the parishes ten voted in the affirmative and three in the negative, with one delegation divided.

THE STANDING COMMITTEES MEMORIALIZED

An address was adopted and ordered to be sent to the several standing committees of the church in the United States, in which it was asserted that "we are fully persuaded of the regularity of the election of the Rev. Doctor Ogden to the Episcopal Office," and praying "for the exercise in favor of our Church of the power vested in you."

The reference is to the Canon passed at the last general convention "Of the Consecration of Bishops in the Recess of the General Convention."

THE GENERAL CONVENTION OF 1801 ALSO REFUSED TO CONFIRM

The action of the convention of New Jersey of 1799, in electing Dr. Ogden, was again considered in the general convention of 1801, held in Trenton, when the house of deputies again refused to sign the testimonials necessary to his consecration, and he was never consecrated.

DR. OGDEN'S CONTROVERSY WITH HIS CONGREGATION

The Rev. Dr. Ogden had trouble with his congregation, Trinity Church, Newark, and a special meeting of the diocesan convention was held in 1804, "for the purpose of taking into consideration and adopting such measures as may bring to a termination certain controversies between the Rev. Uzal Ogden, Rector of Trinity Church in Newark, and the vestry and congregation of said Church."

The upshot of the matter was that "the Convention recommended and advised Dr. Ogden to relinquish his title to the Rectorship of the Church" and coupled this recommendation with advice to the congregation of Trinity church "to allow and secure to him an annuity of \$250 during his life." Dr. Ogden refused to comply with the recommendation of the convention, and was subsequently suspended from the exercise of his ministerial duties within the state of New Jersey. He was never de-

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posed from the ministry, but he thenceforth associated himself with the Presbyterians until his death in Newark in 1822.

This unhappy experience in endeavoring to secure a bishop for New Jersey must have greatly disheartened all concerned, and it was not until seventeen years later that any further attempt was made looking to this end.

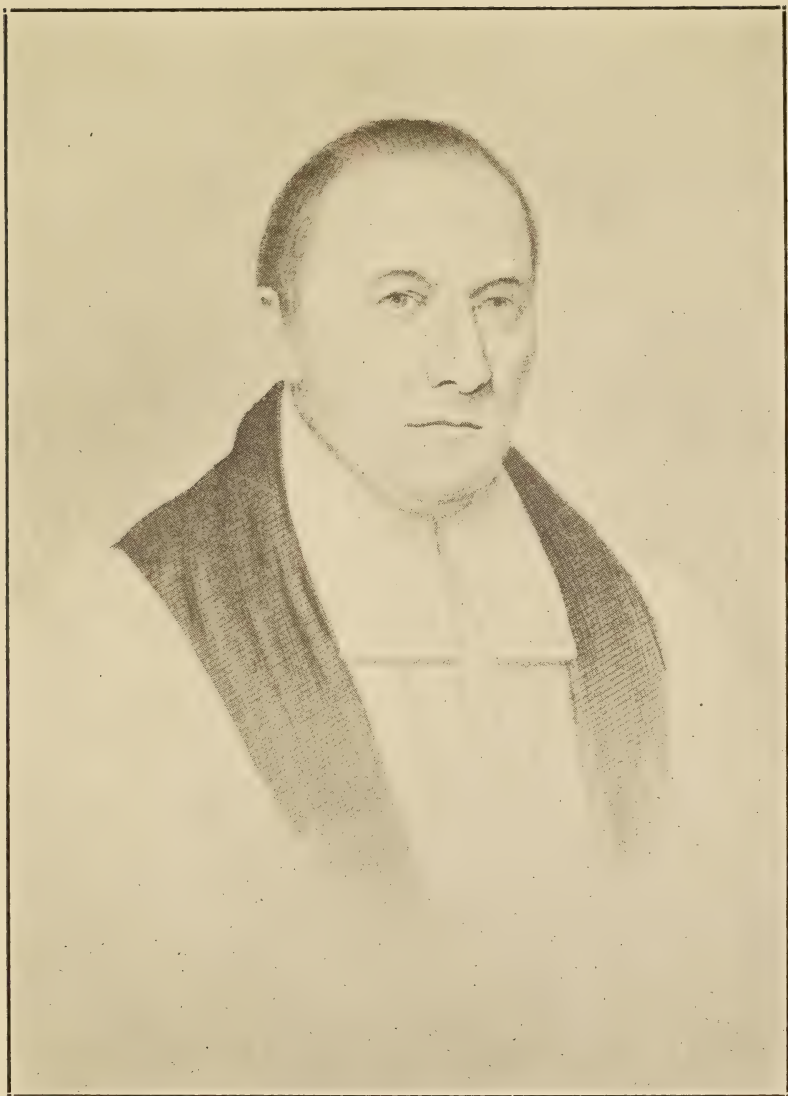
NEW JERSEY ELECTS ITS FIRST BISHOP AT A CONVENTION HELD IN ST. MICHAEL'S CHURCH

On Wednesday, August 30, 1815, the annual convention met in St. Michael's Church, Trenton. Of the clergy of the diocese eight were present, but that number included none from St. Michael's, the rectorship being vacant at that time. Representatives of eighteen parishes were present. The delegates from St. Michael's were Charles Higbee and James A. Stevens. The Rev. Dr. John Croes, president of the last convention, took the chair, but subsequently gave place to the Rev. John C. Rudd, rector of St. John's Church, Elizabeth Town, who under the rules became president. The Rev. Dr. Wharton preached the sermon, and Robert Boggs, Esq., was chosen secretary.

The following resolution was moved by the Rev. Lewis P. Bayard, rector of Trinity Church, Newark:

Resolved that it is expedient that the Convention go now into the election of a Bishop for this Diocese.

On motion the convention went into the election of a bishop by orders, and the Rev. James Chapman, rector of St. Peter's Church, Perth Amboy, the Rev. Simon Wilmer, rector of Trinity Church, Swedesborough, and Robert Boggs, Esq., lay delegate from Christ Church, New Brunswick, were appointed a committee to receive and count the ballots. On the first ballot the Rev. John Croes, D.D., of Christ Church, New Brunswick, received the votes of four clergymen, and fifteen parishes, and the Rev. Charles H. Wharton, D.D., rector of St. Mary's Church, Burlington, the votes of one clergyman and five parishes. Dr. Croes and Dr. Wharton refrained from voting. The election being in favor of the Rev. Dr. Croes the convention proceeded to sign the Testimonial required by the general con-



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vention. The two delegates from St. Michael's Church appended their names to the document.

Thus, after thirty years of a precarious existence, as a body without a head, a flock without a shepherd, New Jersey at last obtained a chief pastor.

BISHOP CROES PREVIOUSLY ELECTED BISHOP OF CONNECTICUT

Only two months previously, Dr. Croes had been elected to the episcopate of Connecticut. And while the committee of that diocese were in correspondence with their bishop-elect in regard to his support, consecration and removal, the convention of New Jersey elected him with great unanimity to the Episcopate of that diocese. New Jersey was his home, and with two mitres before him he took the one which would allow him to remain among his old friends. (Beardsley, *History of the Episcopal Church in Connecticut*.)

CONSECRATION OF DR. CROES

The consecration of Dr. Croes as first bishop of New Jersey took place on Sunday, November 19, 1815, in St. Peter's Church, Philadelphia. His consecrators were William White, D.D., presiding bishop, John Henry Hobart, D.D., assistant bishop of New York, and James Kemp, D.D., suffragan-bishop of Maryland.

SKETCH OF BISHOP CROES

The new bishop had been connected with the diocese of New Jersey since 1792, when he became rector of Trinity Church, Swedesborough. In 1801 he was called to Christ Church, New Brunswick, of which he remained the rector until his death, July 30, 1832, in the seventy-first year of his age.

A native of New Jersey, he exercised his whole ministry here, both as priest and bishop, for forty-two years. Thus it was no untried and unknown man who was chosen to lead the church, but one who had lived and labored in the immediate field for many years.

MURAL TABLET IN CHRIST CHURCH, NEW BRUNSWICK

A mural tablet in Christ Church, New Brunswick, thus records his life and his virtues.

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Beneath the Chancel are deposited the remains of the Right Reverend John Croes, D.D. First Bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Church in this Diocese. Born in New Jersey he held the office and performed the duties of a Christian minister in his native state for more than 42 years, the last thirty of which were devoted to the service of this Parish. On 30th of July 1832 he closed a useful life and calmly slept in the Lord in the 71st year of his age and the 17th of his Episcopate. This tablet is erected by his bereaved Congregation as a testimonial of their grateful recollections of the many private virtues of the departed Pastor and friend and of the high estimation in which they held his piety and talents as a minister of the Gospel of Peace and consummate prudence, untiring activity and constant vigilance of a spiritual overseer of the Church.

In the early days a bishop was accustomed to retain a rectorship, in conjunction with his episcopal office, since otherwise it was difficult, if not impossible, to provide for his support, the poverty of the dioceses rendering such a proceeding necessary. This was the case with Bishops Seabury, White, Provoost and most of the others up to a comparatively late period.

CHAPTER XVIII

THE RECTORATE OF THE REVEREND JAMES MONTGOMERY 1817-1818

REPRESENTATIVE MEN IN ST. MICHAEL'S CHURCH

IN entering upon what may be called the second phase of its life, dating from the securing of a bishop, conditions in the church of New Jersey began to assume a more favorable turn. The animosities and prejudices engendered by the Revolutionary War were tending to die down, and the church was beginning to consolidate its resources, and to increase its numbers and influence. It was still weak in clergy and lay membership, but it had survived its critical days, and had succeeded in attaching to itself the best elements in the community. Men of character and distinction in the state, and in the nation, were content to be enrolled in its membership, and proud to serve in its councils.

The men whose names appear among the vestrymen of St. Michael's Church during this period, say from 1800 to 1825, may be taken as typical. Many of them were leaders in the community, and some of them were of national distinction. To mention the names of a few such: Charles and Joseph Higbee, Jonathan Rhea, John Rutherford, James A. Stevens, Samuel Meredith, Henry Clymer, George Woodruff, William Halsted, Jr., Zachariah Rossell, Garret D. Wall, Pearson Hunt, Barnt DeKlyn, Henry Kean, and Dr. Plunkett Fleeson Glentworth. No men stood higher in Trenton and in the state during this period than did these, as a perusal of the chapter containing their biographical sketches will show. (See Biographical Sketches, Series B; also Appendix N., "Men of St. Michael's Church Prominent in Public Life.")

PERIODS WITHOUT A RECTOR FEW AND SHORT

After 1815, while the parish was subject to certain vicissitudes financial and otherwise, the periods when it was without

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a rector were few and short, and parochial prosperity is shown by extensive improvements and additions made to the material fabric.

THE REV. JAMES MONTGOMERY CALLED AS RECTOR

From 1817 to 1830, St. Michael's had three rectors, viz.: the Rev. James Montgomery, who served only one year, the Rev. Abiel Carter, who served four years, and the Rev. William Lupton Johnson who served seven years.

The Rev. James Montgomery, a deacon of the diocese of Pennsylvania was elected minister of St. Michael's at a meeting of the wardens and vestry held August 11, 1817.

Bishop Croes in his address to the convention of 1817, says:

The Rev'd James Montgomery lately a Deacon of the Diocese of Pennsylvania has removed to this Diocese; and it is with great satisfaction that I communicate it; he has accepted of an invitation to be their minister, from the long vacant congregation of St. Michael's Church Trenton.

The Rev. Mr. Montgomery was ordered priest by the bishop and instituted rector in October 1817.

CONDITIONS IN ST. MICHAEL'S AT THIS PERIOD

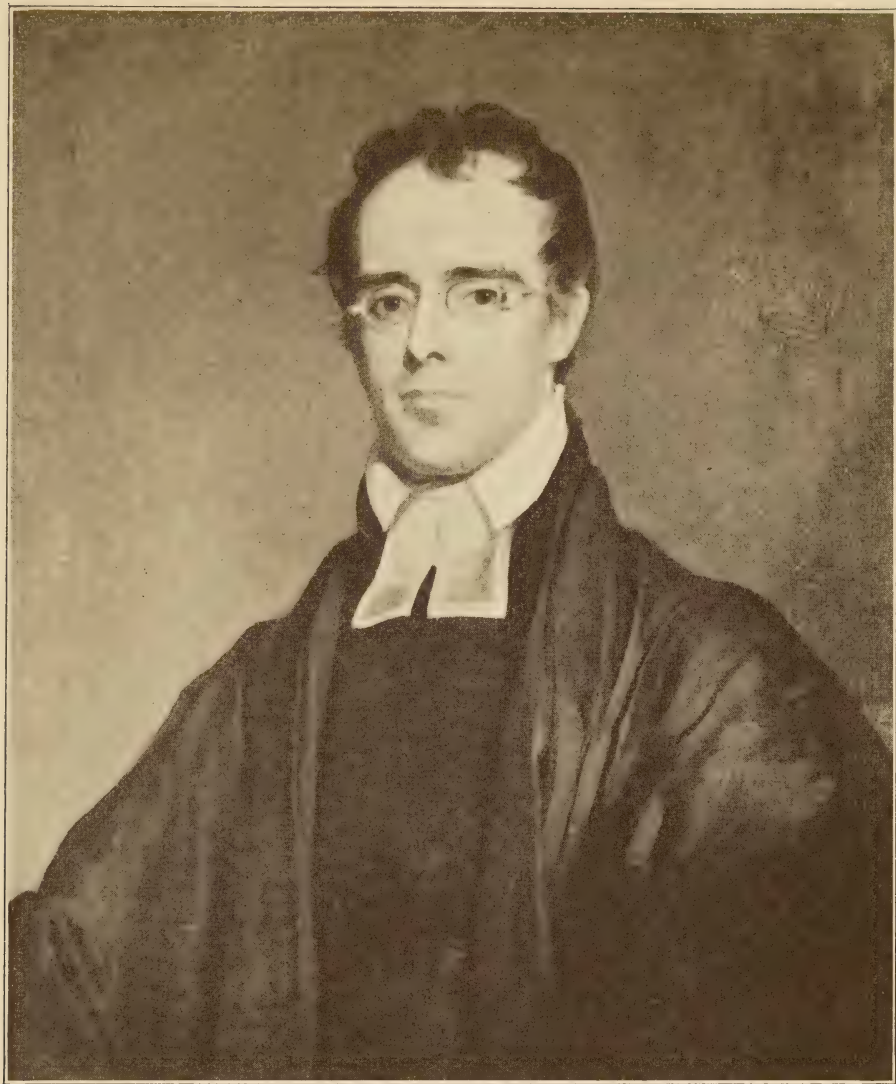
In his annual address for 1818, the bishop says:

The condition of the Church at Trenton has also very much improved during the past year, both in increase of members and attendance to divine Service and to the doctrine and duties of our holy religion.

The Rev'd James Montgomery has resigned his sacred charge and removed to the Diocese of New York. This loss has however been repaired by the removal of the Rev'd Abiel Carter, late Rector of the Church at Pittsburgh, Pa. •

THE REV. JAMES MONTGOMERY RESIGNS HIS RECTORSHIP

At a meeting of the vestry held March 13, 1818, the Rev. Mr. Montgomery announced by letter that he had received a "unanimous invitation to the rectorship of Grace Church New York." On motion the vestry drew up an answer, stating "the hearty concurrence of the vestry with him in the propriety of his accepting the rectorship of Grace Church New York."



THE REVEREND JAMES MONTGOMERY, D.D.

1787-1834

RECTOR 1817-1818

FROM A PORTRAIT BY THOMAS SULLY IN POSSESSION OF THE CORPORATION OF
GRACE CHURCH, NEW YORK

COURTESY OF WILLIAM RHINELANDER STEWART, ESQ.

AUTHOR "GRACE CHURCH AND OLD NEW YORK"

RECTORATE OF JAMES MONTGOMERY

The Rev. James Montgomery who resigned his position in St. Michael's Church, to accept a call to Grace Church, New York City, was the second rector of that parish. He remained there only two years, 1818-1820, when he suddenly announced his resignation.

SKETCH OF THE REV. JAMES MONTGOMERY

The following biographical sketch is taken from Stewart, *Grace Church and Old New York*, pp. 392-3.

Coming of Scotch descent James Montgomery was born in Philadelphia November 25, 1787. His early education was at a boy's school in Maryland, and at the Grammar School at Princeton New Jersey and in 1805 he was graduated at Princeton College. Upon his return home he entered the office of Judge Hopkinson of Philadelphia and was in due time admitted to the bar. After practising as a lawyer for several years, he became a candidate for Holy Orders in the Episcopal Church and was ordained deacon by Bishop White in Philadelphia August 25, 1816. Having been elected rector of St. Michael's Church Trenton, New Jersey, he was ordained there priest by Bishop Croes October 7, 1817. In April 1818 he removed to New York upon his election to Grace Church in that City. In 1820 he resigned this rectorship and returned to his native State, residing near Philadelphia and officiating in some of the vacant churches in that vicinity. Shortly afterwards the formation by many of his friends, and in his interest, of the new parish of St. Stephen's was accomplished, to the rectorship of which he was elected. . . . The Rev. Mr. Montgomery received the degree of Doctor of Divinity from Geneva College in 1827. For several years Dr. Montgomery was a member of the Standing Committee of the Diocese of Pennsylvania, and from 1823 until his death he was a trustee of the General Theological Seminary. While he was actively engaged in the discharge of his various public and private duties, a pulmonary disease developed which, after a comparatively brief course, terminated his life on March 17, 1834. It is believed Dr. Montgomery's brief rectorate of Grace Church was attributable to his delicate condition of health.

CHAPTER XIX

THE RECTORATE OF THE REVEREND ABIEL CARTER

1818-1822

NEW CHURCH BUILT AND CONSECRATED

ON March 23, 1818, the vestry elected the Rev. Mr. Turner of New York to the vacant rectorship, but he declined. The vestry then requested the bishop to send the Rev. Mr. Cumming, who had lately received deacon's orders to officiate for a period of six weeks. The bishop replied:

that he will converse with him (the Rev. Mr. Cumming) on the subject, but thinks he will not find it convenient to be at St. Michael's in less than two. He suggests that the Rev. Mr. Carter from Pittsburgh is expected on Tuesday next to attend the Convention, when he will avail himself of the opportunity of inviting him to officiate at St. Michael's on Sunday the 10th inst.

THE REV. ABIEL CARTER ELECTED RECTOR

The Rev. Abiel Carter was unanimously called to the rectorship of St. Michael's at a meeting of the vestry held May 12, 1818, the salary being placed at \$800. He replied accepting the position, and entered upon his duties on July 19 of the same year.

THE REBUILDING OF THE CHURCH

The necessity of doing something to make the church building more adequate for the needs of the growing congregation was a matter taken up by the vestry at a meeting held February 18, 1819. Since the original church was erected, about 1750, no conspicuous improvements had been made in the fabric. Minor changes and renovations had been made from time to time, but the old building still stood substantially as it had originally existed.

At the meeting of the vestry above referred to, the following resolution was adopted:

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Resolved that it be expedient to enlarge and make the necessary repairs to this Church, viz. There shall be 14, 15 or 16 feet added in length, a foundation for a Tower, a Gallery, a Vestry Room, New windows and frames. The pulpit shall be moved back in the present recess and the Chancel brought in front and such other repairs as shall be thought necessary by the committee hereafter to be appointed.

The committee appointed consisted of Joseph Higbee, William Kirkwood and Zachariah Rossell.

This committee made its report on March 20 of the same year:

The Committee to whom was entrusted the repairing of the church report, that they have viewed a new Church at Germantown Pa and are of the opinion that a new Church can now be built for a much smaller sum than originally expected and beg leave to have their powers extended.

It was then agreed that the sum of \$6000 be allowed them for rebuilding on such plan as they, the Committee shall deem most proper, but that the old Church should be valued and made a part of the same sum.

The work seems to have progressed rapidly for at a meeting of the vestry held November 15, 1819, the following resolution was passed.

APPLICATION FOR CONSECRATION OF THE CHURCH

Resolved that application be made to the Right Rev. John Croes to consecrate St. Michael's (lately rebuilt) on Wednesday next. Resolved that an invitation be given to the Right Rev. John Croes to institute the Rev. Abiel Carter, Rector of this Church on Thursday next.

The following items referring to the matter were printed in the local newspapers of that day.

Trenton Federalist
May 24, 1819 (3-3)

St. Michael's Church. The old Episcopal Church in Trenton, built in 1750, has recently been taken down, and is now rebuilding, considerably enlarged from its former dimensions.

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True American

November 8, 1819 (3-3)

Consecration. We are authorized to state, that St. Michael's Church in this city, will be consecrated on Wednesday the 17th inst. at which time a public collection will be taken to assist in defraying the expenses of the building.

True American

November 22, 1819 (3-3)

THE CONSECRATION

The consecration of St. Michael's Church, in this city, took place agreeably to appointment on Wednesday last. Bishop Croes delivered an appropriate discourse on the occasion. On the day following the Rev. A. Carter was instituted as Rector of said Church; on which occasion the Rev. Dr. Beach delivered a discourse containing a very impressive charge to the newly inducted Rector, and the congregation committed to his care. A number of clergy and a concourse of people attended the solemnities. We state with pleasure that the building has been erected in a style which does credit to our city, and is justly considered one of the handsomest churches in the state.

In his annual address of 1819, Bishop Croes reports:

St. Michael's Church, Trenton, has lately been taken down, and a new one, of much larger dimensions, and in a superior style, is now erecting on the site of the old one; and Mr. Carter, as Rector elect says (p. 112): "The labours of his predecessor had, by the blessing of God, raised the congregation to an unprecedented state of prosperity; and it is a cause for thankfulness, that it continues to flourish. A new church edifice of Gothic structure, and of larger dimensions than the former, was commenced in May last, which it is expected will be ready for consecration early in November coming." In November the Church was consecrated, and Mr. Carter instituted as Rector. In 1820 Mr. Carter reports that: "The congregation continues to increase, and the members evince a laudable zeal for the prosperity of the Church." He resigned in 1821, and was succeeded by Rev'd Wm. L. Johnson. In this state of prosperity we leave St. Michael's.

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FINANCIAL WAYS AND MEANS

Possessing now a practically new church, and an acceptable rector, it was natural that some appropriate action should be taken to provide ways and means to increase and stabilize the church's income. Hence, we find the following series of resolutions relating to the sale and renting of pews:

Meeting of the Vestry of St. Michael's, Friday, November 19, 1819.

Resolved that all the Pews be put up at public sale and Sold to the highest bidder; subject to an annual rent to be fixed by the Vestry from year to year.

Resolved, that the money subscribed shall be received of such persons who shall purchase Pews, as part pay for the same; and that no subscription money be refunded.

Resolved, that each Pew be valued; and that the same shall not be sold for less price.

Resolved, that the Pews not sold be offered for lease for 3 years, subject to an annual rent to be fixed by the Vestry from year to year.

Resolved, that the Pews not sold or leased be offered for rent from year to year at such price as shall be fixed by the Vestry.

Resolved that the value and rent of the Pews hereafter mentioned be considered permanent until the Vestry shall deem it proper to make alterations.

Resolved, that the Pews leased shall bring 10% on the fixed valuation for three years, in addition to the annual rent.

(64 Pews: Total Value fixed, \$7,230.; Yearly Rent, fixed at \$1,218.)

Meeting of Vestry of St. Michael's, Monday, November 22, 1819, for the sale, lease and rental of pews.

13 Pews Sold	\$2,500.00	
12 Pews Leased	115.50	
46 Pews, Rentals of all	966.00	\$3,581.50
16 Pews not either sold, leased or rented.		<hr/>

A CORPORATE SEAL

Having at last in 1818 secured a parish charter, it also became important to have a corporate seal, and hence we find one pro-

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vided under a resolution passed at a meeting of the vestry, May 30, 1820:

Resolved that a seal be procured for this Church with the Device of the front of the Church surrounded with the name and that John R. Thompson be appointed to procure the same. Resolved that the wardens be authorized to use the seal of this Church for the sale and transfer of all Pews.

The old seal still exists, though not in use today. It was provided by Zachariah Rossell and is inscribed with his name.

THE LEGACY OF ELIJAH BOND

The matter of the non-collection of a legacy left by Elijah Bond, a former warden and vestryman, appears to have given some concern to the vestry at this time, and the following resolution was passed:

Whereas it appears by an extract from the Will of Elijah Bond, inserted in the Minutes December 1st, 1788, that he directed his Executor to put out at Interest the sum of Five hundred Pounds, which interest he bequeathed to the Minister of this Church, and his successors; provided the former should be appointed within seven years; and it further appears by a reference to the said minutes of the above date, that the Rev. Wm. Frazer was appointed the Minister of said Church, and it is known that on the 8th December, 1789, as will appear by the copy of a receipt, in the handwriting of the said Rev. Wm. Frazer, that he received from Isaac De Cow, as Executor of the last Will and Testament of said Elijah Bond £70 in full of two years interest on £500 due to him from said Estate as settled Minister of St. Michael's Church in Trenton, and that certain Articles of Produce on account of Interest were subsequently received by the said Rev. Wm. Frazer, since which time there has been no further payment made to him or his successors.

Therefore Resolved, that George Woodruff and Garret D. Wall be a committee to enquire how this Legacy is secured and why payment of the Interest has not been regularly made agreeably to the Will of the Testator, and they are requested to report thereon as soon as practicable; and in the mean time should they consider it expedient to have recourse to Legal Measures, to secure the principal and compel payment of the Interest, they are hereby authorized to commence the same.

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FINES FOR VESTRYMEN

Some minor matters of interest appear upon the minutes of the vestry during this period:

Meeting of the Vestry, Monday, August 13, 1821.

Resolved, that hereafter a fine of one Dollar shall be exacted from each member of the Vestry for non-attendance at any stated or special meeting; which sum shall be demanded and paid at the first meeting thereafter, unless the same shall be remitted by the Vestry at said meeting on such excuse as shall be considered satisfactory.

This self-denying ordinance relating to the fining of vestrymen for non-attendance at meetings, does not seem to have met with general favor, for on April of the year following its adoption the rule was unanimously rescinded. Possibly had the rule been reversed, and an allowance made to vestrymen of one dollar for every meeting they attended, the arrangement would have met with greater favor.

THE ENGINE HOUSE OF THE UNION FIRE COMPANY

Here is a reference to the Engine House of the Union Fire Company, which seems to have occupied ground belonging to the church property, or immediately adjacent thereto:

Under date of April 20, 1821, is the following note:

On application of Henry Clymer it was resolved that he be permitted to move the Engine House five feet northwardly on a straight line with the fence.

Raum's *History of the City of Trenton* has the following references to the Engine House (p. 396):

August 6th, 1788, the Company (Union Fire Company) having no house for their small engine, Mr. Hezekiah Howell offered them ground to build one on adjoining his house and Church lot and Mr. Charles Axford Jr. agreed to undertake the building of the same.

February 4th, 1788, Mr. Axford reported that agreeably to the order of the company he had built a house for the small engine and it wanted a lock.

November 1st, 1790, the small engine house was removed opposite, on the lot of Mrs. Barnes. This house was built on the

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corner of the lot of St. Michael's Church and afterwards removed opposite near where the Third Presbyterian Church now stands.

There must be some error here, for the minutes of the vestry show that the Engine House was not removed until many years later.

The following action in regard to the removal of the Engine House was taken at a meeting of the vestry held April 14, 1843:

Application having been made to purchase ground in the Church yard for private burials, the vestry conceiving that the Engine House of the Resolution Company was occupying ground that might profitably be used, Messrs Halsted & Wood was appointed a committee to confer with said company and if possible procure the removal of the Engine House.

A few days afterwards the committee made a report to the vestry at a meeting held at the house of John R. Dill, Friday evening, April 22, 1843:

The Committee appointed to confer with the Resolution Fire Co report that the Engine House will be removed as early a day as shall be convenient.

A BELL LOANED TO THE TRENTON ACADEMY

Here is a reference to a bell which the Trenton Academy had borrowed from St. Michael's Church in 1788. Under date of August 13, 1821, the following appears on the minutes:

Resolved that Charles Higbee and Zachariah Rossell be a committee to settle with the Trustees of the Trenton Academy for the Bell at present in their possession belonging to St. Michael's Church.

Under date of April 8, 1822, there is another reference to the matter of the Bell:

On the 13th Day of August 1821, a committee was appointed to settle with the Trustees of the Trenton Academy for the Bell in their possession belonging to the Church, who have not made a report thereon. Therefore be it Resolved that Messrs Gordon and Rossell be a committee on the above subject.

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The negotiations must have proceeded with great deliberation, for it was not until two years later, February 7, 1825, that anything definite appears to have been done.

The Committee on the Bell authorized to settle with the Trustees of the Academy.

According to the record as furnished in Dayton's *Historical Sketch of the Trenton Academy* 1881 (p. 21), which contains a reference to the bell, there was no settlement made until 1828, when the trustees paid forty-five dollars for a bell, but to whom the money was paid does not appear.

In December 1785 a belfrey had been built on the Trenton Academy. The Bell which had been presented to the school by Judge Hooper in March 1783 was probably not of a size sufficient for hanging in the belfrey, for in March 1788 a Bell was borrowed from the wardens of the Episcopal Church in Trenton, and placed in the belfrey. The Trustees gave a receipt for it engaging to return it when required. So far as is known this requirement was never made, although it appears that forty five dollars was paid for a Bell in 1828. This may have been for the one borrowed. It is quite probable therefore that the same bell summons the scholars to their lessons.

THE BELL BECOMES THE PROPERTY OF CLARK FISHER

The Academy property was bought by the late Clark Fisher, and subsequently sold by him in 1900 to the trustees of the Free Public Library, as a site for the library. It is said that Mr. Fisher bought the old Academy principally because he wished to secure the bell which in his youth had summoned him to his studies. The bell was removed to his anvil works, and may be seen there today. This bell was probably not the one which had been presented to the parish by Charles Coxe in 1765, since in the inventory of damages sustained by the church during the Revolutionary War, filed in 1781, there is the item "1 Large Bell carried away £50." The bell loaned to the Academy in 1788 must have been a small bell, purchased when the services were resumed in 1783, and subsequently discarded for a larger one.

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A LOTTERY TO PAY THE CHURCH DEBT

Financial conditions must have reached a crisis at this period, probably due to the extensive improvements made to the church building, the cost of which had evidently not been met, for we find the desperate expedient considered of raising funds by means of lottery.

Under date of October 14, 1822, there appears the following:

Resolved that an application be made to the Legislature of this state for an Act to enable this Corporation to raise by Lottery the sum of \$3500 and that the church wardens and Mr. Halsted be a committee to draft a petition for the above purpose.

On second and wiser thoughts, the project was abandoned, probably on the grounds of inexpediency. Possibly some of the congregation objected to such a method of raising funds for church purposes.

The subject was again brought up at a meeting of the vestry held only a week later, October 22, 1822, when the committee made its report.

The Committee on an application to the Legislature for an Act to enable this Corporation to raise by Lottery \$3500, reports the form of a petition and on motion Resolved that the same be indefinitely postponed.

RESIGNATION OF THE REV. ABIEL CARTER

The Rev. Abiel Carter resigned his rectorship in October 1822, but was "requested by resolution to perform Divine Service for the present."

In the rector's report for the year 1821, as to the condition of the parish, it will be seen that considerable progress had been made both in respect to numbers and parochial activities:

Report for the year 1821, of the Rev. Abiel Carter, Rector.

Number of families in that Church is about			75
Number of communicants			55
The baptisms since last Convention	{ adults	6	
	{ Infants	18	24
The marriages	" " "		4
The funerals	" " "		6

RECTORATE OF ABIEL CARTER

That the Sunday School attached to that Church has been greatly enlarged and improved, since the last report; that it is now in a very flourishing condition, consisting of nearly 200 pupils, who are managed and taught with much regularity and order.

That it is in contemplation to erect a building in the vicinity of the Church for the more commodious arrangement and instruction of the school; and that subscriptions have already been obtained to an amount almost sufficient to defray the expense of it; it further states, that it is but justice to remark that the pleasing improvement, above mentioned, has been effected chiefly through the exertions and perseverance of a small number of ladies in the congregation to whom much gratitude is due.

FIRST MENTION OF A SUNDAY SCHOOL

In this report there is the first mention of a Sunday school, though doubtless one had existed from an earlier period. The number of pupils under instruction given as 200 is surprisingly large for that day, and indeed would be wholly creditable today. The report also conveys the intention of erecting a building for the Sunday school and pays a warm tribute to the help rendered by the good women of the parish.

SKETCH OF THE REV. ABIEL CARTER

Sprague, *Annals of the American Pulpit* (vol. 5, p. 584) gives the following sketch of the Rev. Abiel Carter:

ABIEL CARTER. Born, Concord, N.H., May 2, 1791. Graduate Dartmouth College in 1813.

In May, 1818, he was elected Rector of St. Michael's Church, Trenton, N.J. . . . In 1822, he accepted a call to the Rectorship of Christ Church, Savannah, Ga. Died of Yellow Fever at Savannah November 1, 1827. He published "A Sermon on Resigning the Charge of St. Michael's Church, Trenton, 1822."

CHAPTER XX
THE RECTORATE OF
THE REVEREND WILLIAM LUPTON JOHNSON
1823-1830

A LIST OF THE PARISHIONERS ONE HUNDRED YEARS AGO

NO time was lost in choosing a successor to the Rev. Mr. Carter.

At a special meeting of the vestry held Monday, December 30, 1922, a minute reads:

The Rev. William L. Johnson of the Diocese of New York was unanimously elected Rector of this Church.

In a letter dated New York January 2, 1823, the Rev. Mr. Johnson writes accepting the rectorship. He is recorded as present at the Easter meeting, March 31, of the same year.

A NEW FENCE

Here is a note, August 18, 1823, as to a new fence.

New fence in the front and rear ordered to be erected.

On May 1 of the following year the action taken regarding the new fence was repealed.

The Resolution passed August 18, 1823, for making a new fence with stone and Brick base is repealed, it being more expensive than at first thought.

Two years later, as we learn from the minutes of the vestry November 7, 1825, a fence was finally built:

The Committee who were authorized to see the erection of a fence in front of the Church reported the same complete (cost of fence \$290.02).

THE PERRY STREET SUNDAY SCHOOL PROPERTY

An advertisement in the *Trenton Emporium* under date February 1, 1823, reads:



THE REVEREND WILLIAM LUPTON JOHNSON

1800-1870

RECTOR 1823-1830

COURTESY OF THE REV. ROCKLAND T. HOMANS

RECTOR GRACE CHURCH, JAMAICA, NEW YORK

RECTORATE OF WILLIAM JOHNSON

To Let:

The two School Rooms in Perry Street, belonging to the Sunday School Society attached to the Episcopal Church in Trenton. Apply to William Robinson, Green street near the corner of Perry. Trenton January 30, 1823.

The way in which St. Michael's Church subsequently came into possession of the property in Perry Street, may be conveniently told here.

From the minutes of the vestry January 18, 1854:

It appears that the lot of ground on Perry Street on which the building of the Sunday school was erected was "purchased in the year of our Lord 1828, by several benevolent ladies of the Parish who organized themselves into a society attached to the Protestant Episcopal Church in the City of Trenton"; that it was given by deed in trust for the benefit of said Society, to Thomas Gordon Zachariah Rossell and Joseph M. Higbee.

The minutes proceed to state that

William Potts and Ann his wife by deed bearing date the 20th of October 1828 did grant and convey to Thomas Gordon Zachariah Rossell, Charles C. Frazer and Joseph M. Higbee All that certain Lot or parcel of ground, situated in the City of Trenton, being in the said Potts' plan of lots called No. 11 fronting 31 feet 8 inches on the northerly side of Centre (Perry) street, extending from thence north 17 degrees West, by and between lots No. 5, 4 & 3 of Joseph Scully and others on the westerly side of Samuel Adams deceased on the other, the same width 93 feet to Lot No. 2 (being the same whereon the Sunday school attached to Saint Michael's Church is erected) to have and to hold in trust for the uses of the Sunday School Society attached to the Protestant Episcopal Church of St. Michael's in the City of Trenton.

The significance of the minute of 1854 is concerned with the death of three of the trustees and the desire of the one remaining to be relieved of his obligations as trustee.

Whereas the aforesaid Thomas Gordon, Zachariah Rossell and Joseph M. Higbee have departed this life—Therefore Charles C. Frazer sole surviving Trustee for the sum of \$1.00 conveys said land to the Rector, wardens and vestry of St. Michael's

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Church subject to the trust imposed in the Deed of October 20, 1828 &c.

The transfer was duly accepted and the building offered for rent:

Insomuch as the Sunday School of the Parish is through the preference of its teachers removed for the present to the Galleries of the Church, The wardens, Messrs Howe and Davis be a Committee to take charge of the Sunday School building with authority to lease the same, at their discretion, for the ensuing year.

Feb. 6 1854 Messrs Davis & Howe Sunday School committee reported that they had leased the Sunday School property to Mr. Parsons for a day school at \$75 per year with the proviso that Miss Sarah Ramsay be permitted to remain in possession of the room she now occupies, if she wishes to remain therein; and he is to look to her for the rent of the same.

Annual Easter meetings of the vestry are recorded as held in 1826, 1827, 1828, 1829, but there is no record of any business transacted.

RESIGNATION OF REV. WILLIAM L. JOHNSON

At a meeting of the vestry held Monday February 15, 1830, the resignation of the Rev. Mr. Johnson was offered.

The Rev. W. L. Johnson tendered his resignation effective April 1st next, He having received a call to the Rectorship of Grace Church Jamaica Long Island.

REPORT FOR THE YEAR 1829 OF THE REV. WILLIAM L. JOHNSON, RECTOR

Families, 56; Communicants, 47. Baptisms, 8; Marriages, 2; Funerals, 15; Catechumens, in two classes, 33. Sunday School Scholars, regular attendants, from 30 to 40. The Rector further reports that the congregation is improving in numbers and that there appears to be an increasing attention to the services of the Church. An association of young ladies has been formed in aid of the Missionary Fund, who have raised by their industry and ingenuity a considerable sum, which they have appropriated, for this year only, to the pressing necessities of their own Church. By a very commendable zeal and liberality,

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in which all did well, and some few beyond all praise, the ladies of the congregation have erected the beautiful steeple which now adorns our sacred edifice. They have also ordered a bell, weighing 500 lbs. the sound of which we expect to hear in a few weeks. The hope is indulged, that the universal approbation which has been excited by their industry and liberality, will evince itself, not in words only but also in deeds, and that for their sake alone, even if there should be no other cause, the gentlemen of the congregation will respond to their solicitude for the welfare and character of the Church.

SKETCH OF THE REV. WILLIAM LUPTON JOHNSON

William Lupton Johnson was the son of John Barent Johnson, pastor of the First Dutch Reformed Church, Brooklyn, Long Island. He was left an orphan at an early age, and was brought up by an uncle, Peter Roosevelt, in New York City. He was graduated from Columbia College in 1819, and for a short time studied law in the office of a Mr. Harrison, afterwards a comptroller of Trinity Church, New York. He entered the General Theological Seminary, New York, and was the first graduate of that institution. He was ordained by Bishop Hobart, October 15, 1822. For a short period he was the assistant of Bishop Richard Canning Moore at the Monumental Church Richmond, Virginia. While there he was called to St. Michael's Church, Trenton, in December 1822, and accepted January 1823, instituted 1825. He resigned the parish in 1830, to accept the rectorship of Christ Church, Jamaica, Long Island, which position he retained for forty years until his death April 4, 1870.

LIST OF PARISHIONERS OF ST. MICHAEL'S CHURCH ONE HUNDRED YEARS AGO, COMPILED BY THE REV. W. L. JOHNSON

During his rectorate, the Rev. W. L. Johnson made a list of the parishioners of St. Michael's Church, which after one hundred years is reprinted here, as an interesting document. It contains the names of several whose descendants are now living in Trenton, and some of whom are also associated with the parish today.

(*W*) following name signifies warden, (*V*) vestryman, (*S*) Biographical sketch—Series "B".

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List of Persons belonging to St Michael's Church, Trenton, or who are regular attendants upon its services and worship

C—CONTRIBUTORS	*—COMMUNICANTS	†—REMOVED	‡—DEAD
‡Mr. Samuel Adams, Shoemaker		Miss Theodosia Hunt	
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†c*Mrs. Bond, of Lamberton		†cMr. Jos. Higbee (<i>W</i>) (<i>S</i>)	
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c*Mr. Arthur Corry, Mill Hill		*Miss Charlotte Higbee	
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Dr. Clarke		†Miss Charlotte N. Higbee	
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CHAPTER XXI

THE SECOND BISHOP OF NEW JERSEY

THE RIGHT REVEREND GEORGE WASHINGTON DOANE

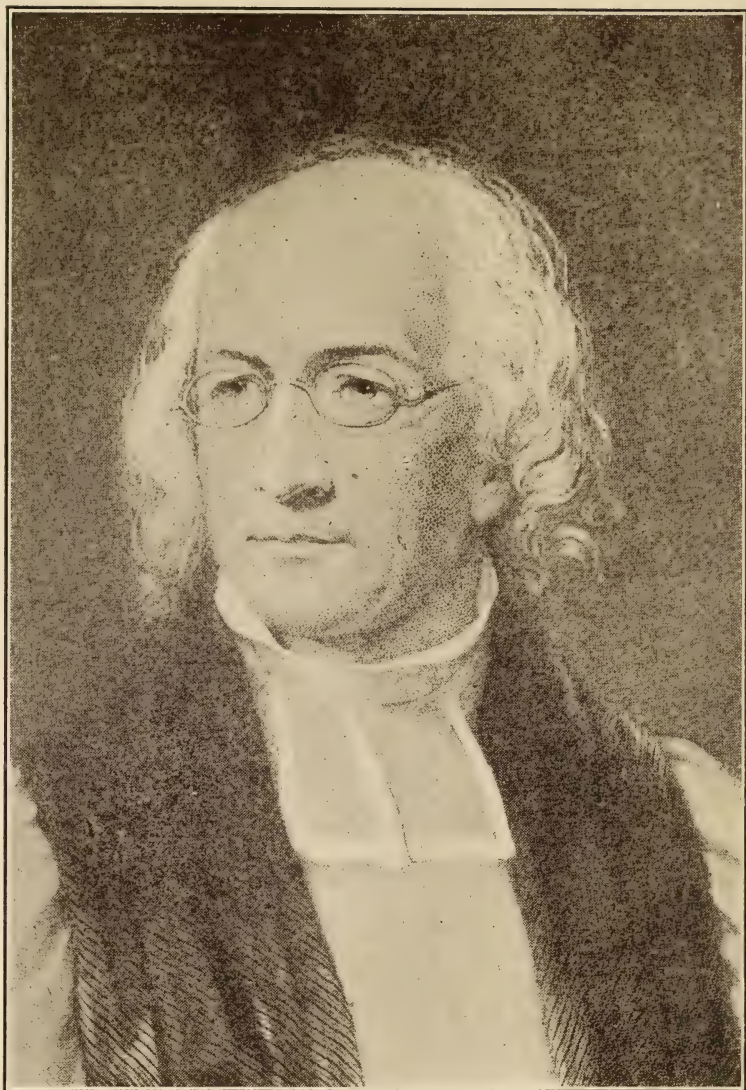
1832-1859

BISHOP CROES having passed away in 1832, the Rev. George Washington Doane, then rector of Trinity Church, Boston, was chosen second bishop of New Jersey. The election was effected at a "second adjourned convention," which was held in Christ Church, New Brunswick, October 3, 1832. The Rev. Frederick Beasley, D.D., then rector of St. Michael's Church, Trenton, was the president of the convention, and he preached the sermon, and celebrated the Holy Communion. Sixteen clergymen were present and lay deputies from twenty-two parishes, those from St. Michael's being William Halsted, George Woodruff and J. D. Westcott.

There were twelve candidates voted for, including the Rev. Dr. Beasley and the Rev. James Montgomery, a former rector of St. Michael's Church. On the sixth ballot Dr. Doane was elected, receiving eleven clerical and twelve lay votes. The election was made unanimous.

THE CONSECRATION OF THE BISHOP-ELECT

The new bishop-elect was consecrated with three others, namely, the Rev. John Henry Hopkins, D.D., for Vermont, the Rev. Benjamin Smith, D.D., for Kentucky, and the Rev. Charles P. McIlvaine for Ohio. The service was held in St. Paul's Chapel, New York, on Wednesday, October 31, 1832. Bishop White of Pennsylvania, the presiding bishop, was the consecrator, and the co-consecrators in the case of Dr. Doane were Bishop Benjamin Treadwell Onderdonk, of New York, and Bishop Levi Silliman Ives of North Carolina. It is a singular thing that both of these bishops were subsequently deposed, or rather Bishop Onderdonk was suspended in 1845, and never restored, and Bishop Ives, having forsaken the communion of the church, for that of Rome, was deposed in 1853.



THE RIGHT REVEREND GEORGE WASHINGTON DOANE, D.D.

1799-1859

SECOND BISHOP OF NEW JERSEY

1832-1859

THE SECOND BISHOP

Bishop Doane took up his official residence in Burlington, and in 1833 accepted the vacant rectorship of St. Mary's Church, which, in conjunction with his diocesan office, he held until his death in 1859.

BISHOP DOANE A NATIVE OF TRENTON

George Washington Doane was born in Trenton, May 27, 1799. His father was Jonathan Doan, a well-known builder, his most conspicuous work being the State Prison (Arsenal). He is alluded to in Hall's *History of the Presbyterian Church in Trenton* (p. 354).

BISHOP DOANE'S FATHER

Jonathan Doan (now written Doane), having contracted to erect a State Prison at Trenton, Messrs. Hunt and Furman (1797) conveyed the ground on which the jail (now the arsenal) was built. . . . I have in my possession Mr. Doan's receipt for the last payment of the contract alluded to.

Received Novr. 14, 1798 of James Mott Treas'r four hundred and seventeen pounds, twelve shillings and two pence, being the balance of the sum allowed to me, by an act to appropriate a further sum of money for completing the State Prison, passed November 7, 1798. (signed) JONATHAN DOAN.

THE STATE ARSENAL

The building now used as the state arsenal was formerly the old state prison. It is situated on Second and Cass Streets in the city of Trenton, and has on its front, the following inscription:

Labor, Silence, Penitence
The Penitentiary House
Erected by Legislative Authority
RICHARD HOWELL, *Governor*
In the XXII year of American
Independence MDCCXCVII
That those who are feared for their
Crimes may learn to Fear the Laws
And be useful
Hic Labor, Hoc Opus.

THE EARLY CAREER OF BISHOP DOANE

Young Doane was graduated at Union College, Schenectady, New York, in 1818; became a candidate for holy orders in the

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Diocese of New York in 1819; was ordained deacon by Bishop Hobart in 1821, and priest by the same prelate in 1823; united with the Rev. Mr. (afterwards Bishop) Upford, in organizing what became St. Luke's Church, New York City; was chosen professor of Belles-Lettres and Oratory in Washington (now Trinity) College, Hartford, Conn., in 1824; became assistant minister of Trinity Church, Boston, in 1828, and rector of the same in 1830. (Hills, *Hist. of Ch. in Burlington*, p. 401.)

So far as there is any information on the subject, Bishop Doane is the only native-born Trentonian, who ever held the office of bishop in the American Episcopal Church.

BISHOP DOANE'S CHARACTER AND ACHIEVEMENTS

The Episcopate in America (Perry, p. 67), contains a sketch of Bishop Doane, from which the following is taken:

Doane was the founder of St. Mary's Hall 1837 and Burlington College 1846. He may be regarded as the father of Church schools in America. He was a life-long friend of the cause of missions and a leading spirit in the development of our first missionary enthusiasm. To him is due the recognition of the principle that the Church itself is the one missionary organization and that every member is by virtue of Holy Baptism a pledged supporter of missions.

In developing plans for his schools Doane found himself financially embarrassed. This was made the occasion for a petty trial fomented by disaffected laymen. Doane announcing his intention to "make the trial of a bishop hard," triumphed over his opponents.

He had a commanding presence, together with a capacity for almost infinite work, attracted all classes; was a polished writer, a graceful poet and an impassioned speaker.

THE BISHOP A HYMN-WRITER

Bishop Doane was the author of many hymns, two of which are among the best known and most prized in our Hymnal, and indeed of world-wide fame, viz.:

Softly now the Light of Day, and that great missionary hymn, *Fling out the Banner: let it float*.

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DEATH OF BISHOP DOANE

Bishop Doane, after a short illness, probably occasioned by over-work and exposure, passed away at his home in Burlington, April 27, 1859.

An account of his last hours, contributed by his physician and published in the *Life and Writings of Bishop Doane* (Vol. I, pp. 514-18) is of an interesting and pathetic nature. Surrounded by members of his family, and some intimate friends, this great bishop and valiant soldier of Jesus Christ breathed his last. His final words were:

"I die in the faith of the Son of God and in the confidence of one Catholic and Apostolic Church. I have no merits, no man has, but my trust is in the mercy of Jesus."

And from the clear calm utterance of these words, his voice lowered, and hands were lifted:

"Unto God's gracious mercy and protection I commit you. The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make his face to shine upon you and be gracious unto you. The Lord lift up his countenance upon you and give you peace both now and forevermore."

And as he gave us peace, God gave it fully to him. There was only quiet after this: the pressure of the hand, the eye that took in each of us, in turn, into its depth of love, his grateful acceptance and his earnest Amen, to the prayer for his departing soul. And ten minutes before one, God let his servant depart in peace.

The funeral of the second bishop of New Jersey was held in St. Mary's Church, Burlington, on Saturday, April 30, 1859. A distinguished company was present at the service, including three bishops, forty-two clergymen, the governor of New Jersey, and several judges and senators. In the Resolutions adopted at a meeting of the clergy held the same day, was one which provided that the "Clergy of the diocese wear black crape on the left arm for thirty days as a token of respect to the memory of the late Bishop."

Bishop Doane's tomb is in the churchyard, near the northeast corner of the church. The inscription reads:

Jesu mercy. George Washington Doane, D.D., L.L.D., for XXVII years Bishop of New Jersey: born May 27, A.D. MDCCXCIX. Fell asleep, April 27, A.D. MDCCCLIX: in peace.
"I have waited for thy salvation, O Lord."

CHAPTER XXII
THE RECTORATE OF
THE REVEREND FREDERICK BEASLEY

1830-1836

FOLLOWING the resignation of the Rev. W. L. Johnson, the Rev. William Chaderton of Burlington was invited to officiate "once each month." A committee was appointed to "address a letter to the president and managers of the Trenton Delaware Bridge Co. and request them to grant permission to the Rev. Mr. Chaderton to pass and repass the Bridge free of toll."

On April 12, 1830, the committee reported that they had waited on the Rev. Wm. Chaderton at his residence in Burlington. He declined the rectorship.

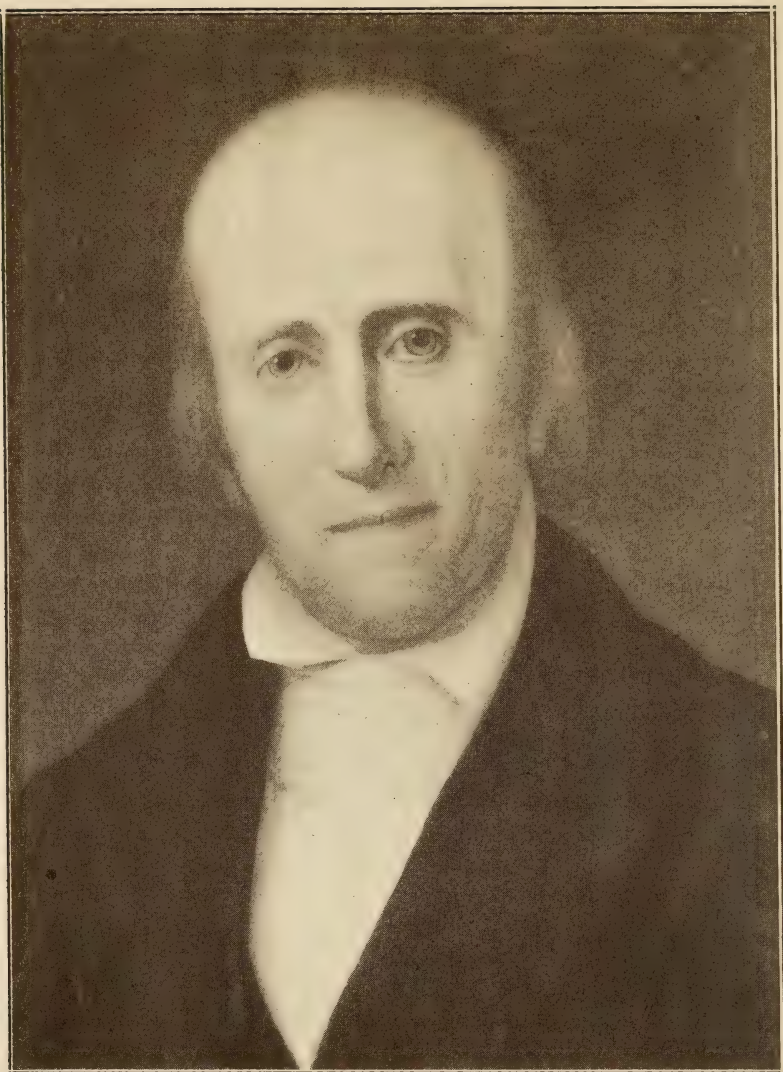
August 2, 1830, it was

Resolved unanimously that the Rev. Frederick Beasley D.D. of Philadelphia be called to the Rectorship of this Church at a salary of \$250 per annum. Messrs William Halsted & Westley P. Hunt appointed a Committee to communicate the above. Under date of Philadelphia, August 5, 1830, Dr. Beasley wrote the said committee of his acceptance and that he would commence to officiate on Sunday next.

BISHOP CROES DELAYS RECTOR'S INSTITUTION

There was delay in the institution of the new rector, owing to some objections of Bishop Croes, based upon the fact that Dr. Beasley had been elected rector before he had received the testimonial required by the canon from Bishop White. In order to meet the bishop's objection, the vestry on September 20, elected, or re-elected, Dr. Beasley. The matter is thus stated in the minutes for September 20, 1830:

Although the vestry consider that the said Dr. Beasley was duly elected on the 30th Day of July last yet in compliance with the wishes of our Bishop and in order to obviate all difficulties that hereafter may arise it was Resolved to go into the election at



THE REVEREND FREDERICK BEASLEY, D.D.

1777-1845

RECTOR 1830-1836

FROM A PAINTING IN POSSESSION OF THE
UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA

RECTORATE OF FREDERICK BEASLEY

this time, when the Rev. Frederick Beasley, D.D., was unanimously elected Rector of this Church. Resolved that Dr. Beasley communicate to the Rt. Rev. Bishop Croes the result of the election and request him to appoint a day when it will be convenient for him to Institute him into the Rectorship of this Church.

Under date of October 12, 1830, it was reported that "Bishop Croes, by reason of ill health, would be unable to Institute Dr. Beasley at present."

COMMITTEES APPOINTED TO SOLICIT CONTRIBUTIONS IN NEW YORK AND PHILADELPHIA

The holding of a lottery to pay the church debt having been abandoned, some other methods of relieving the financial conditions were considered, and we find accordingly that recourse was had to the appointment of committees to solicit subscriptions in New York and Philadelphia.

In April 1830 the following resolution was passed:

Resolved that Mr. (Westley P.) Hunt be authorized to procure some suitable person to go to New York and Philadelphia to collect funds for the payment of the Church debt.

Again on July 10, 1830, we find this minute:

Messrs (W.P.) Hunt & (John) Mershon appointed to call on the members of the Congregation and Messrs (W.P.) Hunt, (Zachariah) Rossell and (Samuel S.) Stryker appointed a Committee to solicit subscriptions in Philadelphia to pay the Church debt.

Evidently the committee needed prodding, for on October 12 of the same year we have another reference to the subject:

Messrs Rossell, Hunt & Stryker having been appointed a committee on July 10th last to solicit funds or contributions for the Church debt in Philada. Resolved that they attend that duty as soon as convenient and that Dr. Glentworth be added to the Committee.

THE EMPLOYMENT OF A SUBSTITUTE

Whether the committee ever found it "convenient" to solicit funds to pay the church debt in New York and Philadelphia does not appear. But at a meeting of the vestry held two years later,

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October 17, 1832, we find provision made for the employment of a substitute to undertake the task, which probably the committee had "side-stepped."

Resolved that David Johnson be employed to go to New York and Philadelphia to solicit subscriptions to pay the Church debt.

As no further reference to the matter appears on the minutes it is doubtful whether the churchmen of New York and Philadelphia welcomed the opportunity thus offered them. However that may have been, the debt seems finally to have been paid, since a few years later, when extensive renovations were in contemplation, it was stated that the debt amounted to only one hundred dollars.

SALARY OF THE RECTOR

The meagre salary of \$250 offered to Dr. Beasley, was further augmented in 1831, by \$50, and in the following year by the further sum of \$100—"to be paid to Dr. Beasley in addition to his salary," thus making a total of \$400 annually. Presumably the rector possessed some private means, as otherwise, even in those days, the salary could hardly have been sufficient for his support.

Annual Easter meetings are recorded for 1833, 1834, 1835 and 1836, but there are no minutes covering this period.

RESIGNATION OF DR. BEASLEY

At a meeting of the wardens and vestry, Thursday, May 19, 1836, the resignation of the rector was reported.

Letter of resignation from Rev. Frederick Beasley as Rector of St. Michael's from and after next Sunday. Messrs (Philemon) Dickinson (Wm.) Halsted & (John) Mershon appointed a Committee to accept the resignation in writing.

The letter of resignation of Dr. Beasley was dated Trenton, May 17, 1836, in which he said he was induced to do so by reason of his desire of giving time to the completion "of those scientific and literary pursuits in which my greatest enjoyment in this life has been found." He speaks of being formerly connected with the Church in Baltimore, and afterwards to the charge of the University of Pennsylvania.

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SKETCH OF THE REVEREND FREDERICK BEASLEY

Frederick Beasley was born near Edenton, N.C., in 1777; graduated from Princeton College in 1797. He studied for the Ministry of the Episcopal Church and was made deacon in 1801 and priest in 1802 by Bishop Moore of New York. His first charge was the rectorship of St. John's Church, Elizabethtown. He was subsequently rector of St. Peter's Church, Albany, and in 1809 became rector of St. Paul's Church, Baltimore. He accepted the office of provost of the University of Pennsylvania in 1813 remaining until 1826 when he resigned. From 1830 to 1836 he was rector of St. Michael's Church, Trenton. The remainder of his life was spent in Elizabethtown in retirement and study. He received degrees from Columbia College and the University of Pennsylvania. He was the author of many philosophical and religious works and published two sermons on duelling. He died in Elizabethtown, November 1, 1845.

Dr. Beasley was the father of Chief-Justice Mercer Beasley, and thus the progenitor of a family for many years well-known and prominent in this city and state.

DEATH OF BISHOP WILLIAM WHITE OF PENNSYLVANIA

A resolution of sorrow over the death of Bishop White of Pennsylvania, who had recently passed away, was carried at a meeting of the wardens and vestry on Thursday, July 28, 1836:

Resolved that the wardens & vestry of this Church deeply lament the death of that venerable Patriarch of the Episcopal Church the learned and pious Bishop White and as a testimonial of their respect for his memory do direct the Church to be hung with black for the period of three months.

This resolution was published in *The State Gazette*, July 29, 1836.

CHAPTER XXIII

THE RECTORATE OF THE REVEREND SAMUEL STARR

1836-1855

ENLARGEMENT OF CHURCH BUILDING

ST. PAUL'S PARISH ORGANIZED 1848

THE choice of a rector to succeed Dr. Beasley was not long delayed. At a meeting of the wardens and vestry, Monday, September 19, 1836, the decision was made.

The Rev. Samuel Starr of Burlington was unanimously elected Rector of this Church; salary \$700: Messrs (Phil) Dickinson & (W.P.) Hunt a committee to communicate the resolution to Rev. Starr.

The Rev. Samuel Starr by letter dated Burlington, October 11, 1836, accepting the Rectorship.

A LONG PASTORATE

The Rev. Samuel Starr was to serve the parish for the next nineteen years, the longest period attained by any rector of St. Michael's Church, either before his time or afterwards, the nearest to him being the Rev. W. H. Neilson, Jr., who filled the office for sixteen years, 1873-1889.

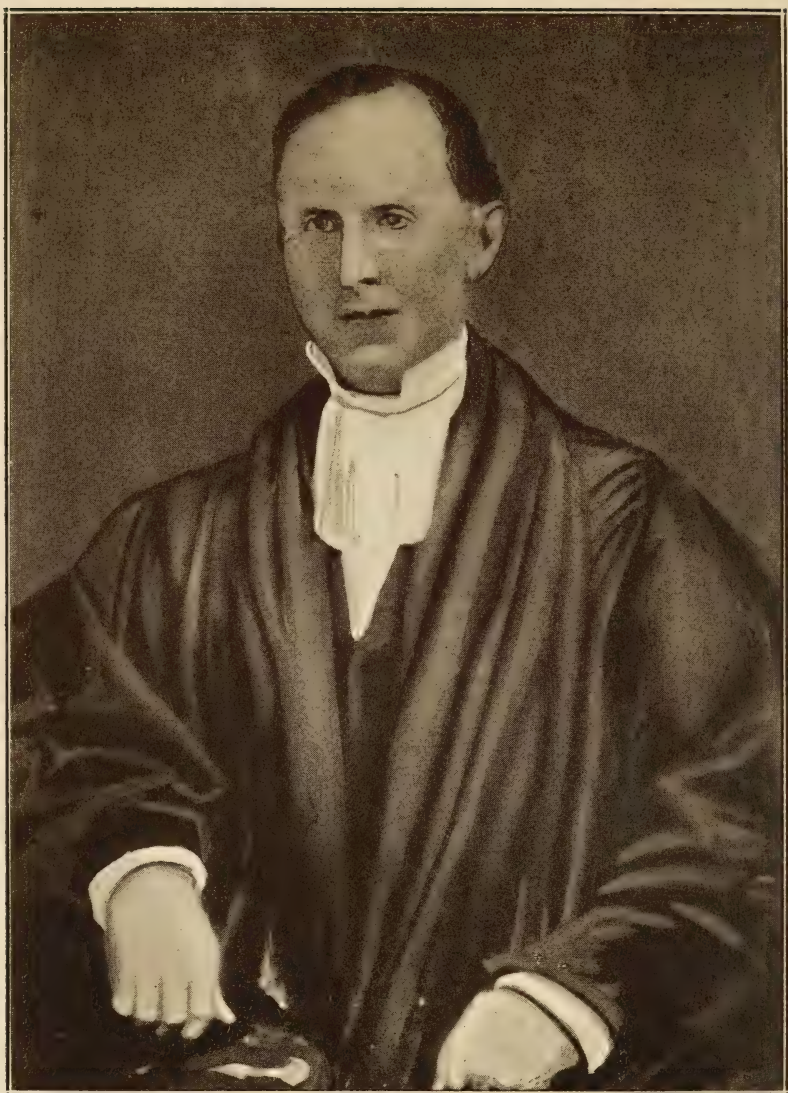
PROSPERITY VISITS THE PARISH

During the Rev. Mr. Starr's rectorate, the parish grew and prospered, as is usually the case during long pastorates.

His report for the year 1837-1838 follows:

Report for the years 1837-38 of the Rev. Samuel Starr, Rector.
Families and pewholders, 88; Baptisms, (adults 2, infants 23) 25; confirmed 23; communicants (added 14, died and removed 10) present number 51; funerals 8; Sunday School teachers 20, scholars about 100.

The Church has been repaired during the past year, at an expense of about three hundred dollars. It has been supplied with a beautiful chandelier and lamps, and a subscription completed



THE REVEREND SAMUEL STARR

1807-1862

RECTOR 1836-1855

RECTORATE OF SAMUEL STARR

for liquidating the balance of a debt long resting upon the Parish. Through the beneficence of one individual of the congregation a beautiful baptismal font of marble has been erected in front of the chancel, and through the liberality of another individual a handsome carpet has been laid on the aisles.

The plan of Church Offerings has for the first time been effectively introduced, the collections of which for the last ten months have amounted to \$128.70. The offerings of the Sunday School have been \$13.68; a portion of which has been applied for the benefit of two other schools connected with Missionary stations in the diocese, the balance yet remaining to be appropriated.

In addition to the stated services of the parish, the Rector has held a monthly service at the State prison. The regular service of the Church has been introduced, though the convicts at the time of worship, as at all times, are in solitary confinement. A donation of 50 Prayer Books has been made for their benefit, by the Bishop White Prayer Book Society; and the most lively expressions of satisfaction in having such a companion in their solitude, have been frequently made both to the Rector and to the Warden of the Prison. Notwithstanding the unfortunate character of the auditors, there is no class of people surely more in need of that Gospel which unfolds the plan of pardon, through the Cross of Christ, for all sin. And under the circumstances of their situation there is everything to encourage the hope of great and permanent advantage. Their solitude is peculiarly adapted for promoting a deep and abiding impression.

EXTRACTS FROM THE MINUTES OF THE VESTRY

October 23, 1837.

Ordered that the Ball and vane on the Church Steeple be re-gilded.

March 6, 1838.

Joseph Wood on December 23, 1837, presented "a beautiful carpet for the aisles of the Church as a Christmas gift." A vote of thanks extended to him.

PROVISION MADE FOR A PARISH LIBRARY

October 4, 1838.

The Rector stated the object of the meeting was to consider the propriety of establishing a Parish Library for the use of members of the Congregation. The plan proposed was as follows:

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each subscriber to pay at the time of subscribing the sum of One Dollar for each share for which he or she may subscribe, and to be entitled to the privilege of having the use of the Books belonging to the Library. The management of the Library to be under the direction of the Rector, Church wardens and vestry men of the Church.

A note of a later date says:

The Rector exhibited to the vestry the Books he had purchased for the Library amounting to eighty-three volumes, the selection was approved of and the following regulations were adopted

1st. Every Dollar contributed to the Library shall constitute a share, and shall entitle the contributor to draw one volume.

2nd. Any person contributing Books to the value of five Dollars shall be entitled to two shares & to the value of ten Dollars to four shares.

3d. Every Book shall be returned at the expiration of two weeks from the time of choosing. The penalty of one cent shall be paid to the Librarian for every additional day it may be retained.

4th. If a Book be lost or injured, it shall be replaced or the amount of its original cost shall be paid to the Librarian.

5th. The Library shall be opened for the distribution of Books on the afternoon of Monday in each week, during such hours as the Librarian may appoint.

REV. MR. STARR GIVEN PERMISSION TO TAKE CHARGE OF THE TRENTON ACADEMY

January 13, 1839.

Rev. Mr. Starr said he had been solicited to take charge of the Trenton Academy for one or more years, and was willing to accept provided it was approved by the Vestry. The vestry was willing that such permission be granted, for one year from the 1st day of May next, provided that it did not interfere with his parochial duties.

LOTS IN A CEMETERY PRESENTED TO THE CHURCH

January 21, 1839.

Mr. John Mershon stated that Elisha Gordon Exq had presented to the Church a Deed for ten lots of ground, each lot con-

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taining Ten by eight feet in his cemetery at the head of Warren Street. Whereupon it was Resolved that the Thanks of the vestry be presented to Mr. Gordon for his valuable gift and that the Clerk present him with a copy of the above Resolution. Follows copy of the Deed for said Lots dated January 1, 1839, from Elisha Gordon to The Rector, Church wardens and vestrymen of the Protestant Episcopal Church of St. Michael's in the City of Trenton; consideration \$2; 10 lots, No. 553 to 562, inclusive, ten feet in length and 8 feet in width, as per "Plan of the Trenton Cemetery," recorded in the Office of the Secretary of State. Office of Mercer County in Book "A" of Deeds, folio 348.

The above lots were to be used for the burial of the poor deceased persons of the said church.

On May 1, 1848, we have a further reference to the burial lots, by which it would appear that it was the desire of the vestry to re-convey the same, or to dispose of them by sale.

The Committee appointed on the land conveyed by Mr. Gordon was continued with power to enter into such arrangements with the representatives of Mr. Gordon's Estate for a re-conveyance of said land, or for the sale thereof, as they may think proper.

CEMETERY ABANDONED

Nothing further appears upon the minutes in respect to the matter for eighteen years, when we learn, 1864, that the cemetery was abandoned as such, and the lots belonging to St. Michael's Church were offered for sale.

The minutes of November 3, 1864, give the following information:

Mr. James S. Robinson offered to purchase burial lots presented to the Church some years ago by Mr. E. Gordon; the "ground intended for the Cemetery was found wet and entirely unfit for the purpose of burying and long since abandoned." Mr. Robinson desired to purchase the lot claims in order to use the field for other purposes and offered \$20 for them. Referred to a Committee appointed.

Presumably the lots were then disposed of, for nothing further in respect to the matter appears upon the minutes.

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FIRST MENTION OF AN ORGAN

March 1, 1841.

Mr. Wood was appointed a Committee to request Col. Josiah N. Bird to write to Mr. Holbrook if he will furnish us with an Organ, "equal in capacity of the one he built for the Presbyterian Church in this City and take the one we now own."

April 12, 1841.

Mr. Holbrook sent a letter stating he would furnish us with an organ, which it was thought would answer our purpose for \$800, and allow us \$250 for the one we now have.

The new organ was finally ordered at a meeting of the vestry, April 30, 1841:

Resolved that Messrs Holbrook & Ware of East midway Massachusetts be employed to build an Organ for the use of the Church, of the capacity and description of the one built by them for the use of the Presbyterian Church in this City, they agreeing to build the same for \$1000 taking and allowing \$250 for the one now in the Church in part payment.

The organ was delivered and in place by the following December, according to a note under date of December 2, 1841:

New organ in the Gallery (A request was made that the manufacturers tune the new organ at a meeting held on Feb. 4, 1842).

MOURNING OVER THE DEATH OF PRESIDENT WILLIAM HENRY HARRISON

Mourning over the death of President William Henry Harrison was appropriately observed by St. Michael's Church, as is evident from the following, under date April 12, 1841:

Resolved that the Church be hung with Black until 14th of May being the day appointed by the acting President of the United States as a day of Fasting, humiliation and Prayer as a testimony of respect to the memory of Gen. William Henry Harrison late president of the United States.

NEWSPAPER NOTICES

The following notices of the event appear in the *State Gazette* of those days:

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Gazette

Friday, April 9, 1841 (3-1)

At a meeting of the citizens of Trenton and South Trenton, on Wednesday evening, the 7th instant, for the purpose of making a public manifestation of respect to the memory of our much lamented late President, William Henry Harrison. (Extract)

Charles Burroughs, Mayor, appointed President.

Series of Resolutions adopted.

Committee appointed to make arrangements to have a funeral sermon delivered before all the Churches and the Public in the First Presbyterian Church on Thursday, the 15th inst. at 11 a.m., by the Rev. Mr. Yeomans.

During the exercises it was recommended that all merchants and others suspend business—Charles Burroughs, Chairman of the Committee.

Dated Trenton, April 9, 1841.

Gazette

Wednesday, April 14, 1841 (2-1)

In consequence of the unfavorable state of the weather, the funeral solemnities have been postponed until Thursday of next week.

Gazette

Monday, April 19, 1841 (2-1)

Proclamation of Gov. William Pennington, dated April 15, 1841, on the death of President William Henry Harrison, recommending the observance of Friday, the 14th of May next, as a day of fasting and prayer in the respective churches.

Gazette

April 21, 1841

The respective church bells to be muffled and tolled from 10 to 11 A.M. Thursday, April 22, 1841.

Gazette

Friday, April 23, 1841

. . . the windows of a few of the stores were hung in black (says nothing about churches being draped).

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IMPROVEMENTS TO THE CHURCH BUILDING

Extensive improvements and renovations to the church were undertaken in June 1843, and completed the last of the following October.

May 31, 1843.

Resolved that it is expedient to extend the Church to the line of the street agreeably to the plan prepared by Mr. Walter, Architect.

June 9, 1843.

Resolved that the Rector be requested to invite Mr. Walter, Architect & Mr. Lindsay builder to meet the vestry in the church Monday at 5 p.m. to confer with the vestry on enlarging the Church.

June 12, 1843.

Resolved that the improvements to the Church be made according to the plans of Mr. Walter. The plan which embraces side-galleries suggested by Samuel B. Scattergood, not agreed to. Mr. Halsted moved that the plan as proposed without the gallery be adopted—agreed to.

SERVICES HELD IN THE STATE HOUSE

Resolved that when we vacate the Church for worship that the State House be the place of meeting, if it can be procured.

REPORT OF BUILDING COMMITTEE

December 6, 1843.

The Building Committee, to whom was referred the superintendence of the proposed improvements to St. Michael's Church reported. The work was commenced early in July—no material interruption of its progress occurred till the time of its completion. It was reopened for divine services October 29. . . . The entire expense appears to be \$2,184.55. This also includes painting, carpeting, upholstering, painting steeple, taking down and putting up vane & Ball.

The following account is taken from the *Sheet Anchor*, of Saturday, October 21, 1843:

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St. Michael's Church

The Congregation are informed that owing to the repairs and improvements of the Church, there will be no service in the Church, nor in the Hall of the Legislature, on Sunday next: and the congregation are further informed that the proposed meeting of the vestry and the congregation on Saturday afternoon, is postponed for the same cause, until Friday afternoon the 27th inst at 3 o'clock.

FINANCIAL HELP FROM THE WOMEN

There is a note under date March 13, 1844, to the effect that the "Ladies of the congregation received \$410 at the public fair." Presumably this sum went to help pay the cost of the improvements.

A RESOLUTION OF CONDOLENCE ON DEATH OF MRS. STARR

July 24, 1844.

Resolution of condolence on the death of Mrs. Sarah P. Starr, wife of the Rector. The vestry to attend her funeral tomorrow afternoon at Burlington.

Meetings are recorded for 1844, 1845, 1846 and 1847, but no business of importance appears to have been transacted.

TROUBLE WITH THE CHOIR

The first mention of a choir appears on the minutes in 1848, though undoubtedly there was such from the earliest times. But probably hitherto the choir had functioned with only the ordinary difficulties which commonly prevail in such organizations, especially if the services of the singers be voluntary. Possibly in the present instance, some of the congregation had found fault with the singing, as not infrequently happens, and the singers being sensitive folk, felt aggrieved at the criticisms.

May 1, 1848.

Mr. Baird and other members of the choir having declined a continuance of their vocal services.

It was Resolved that the Rector and wardens be appointed to present to them, in such terms as they deem suitable for the occasion, the thanks of the vestry for their past services in the choir.

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The crisis seems to have been duly met, for the committee reported, on May 19 following, the success of their endeavors.

The Committee appointed to organize a choir reported that their wishes had been met by several ladies of the congregation who had promised their services, and that they had commenced to obtain subscriptions to meet the expenses of salary to the ladies of the choir.

The arrangement could not have been a permanent one, or some further dissatisfaction developed, for we find a proposal to pay the organist, as also the choirmaster, certain sums out of which the latter is to provide for the singers.

April 10, 1852.

Resolved that the Organist be paid \$25 per Quarter and a like sum to Mr. Yates as Chorister, out of which he is to pay Mr. Baldwin for his assistance.

Evidently this arrangement did not prove satisfactory to the gentlemen concerned, for one month later we find the following resolution:

June 3, 1852.

Resolved that a committee of two be appointed to enter into a written contract with some competent person for a sum not exceeding \$185 per annum, for which sum he shall bind himself to furnish an organist and a full and sufficient choir in all its parts.

Resolved that the person so selected by the Committee agree to meet in said Church for the purpose of rehearsal with the members of the congregation or others that they may induce to take part in the same, whereupon Messrs Halsted and Howe were appointed the committee.

Such a person seems soon to have been found, who for the modest sum mentioned above, was willing to undertake the task.

July 6, 1852, house of J. M. Davis.

The Committee on music made an agreement with John Fletcher to furnish the music to the Church.

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ENLARGEMENT AND RENOVATION

RECTOR'S REPORT FOR 1851

The rector's report for 1851 contains the following comments in regard to the enlargement and renovation of the church:

The increasing demand for pews has rendered necessary the enlargement of the Church edifice—The vestry have unanimously resolved to make provision for supplying this demand. The contract for an extensive addition has been made and the work has been commenced to be concluded in September. The additional space contemplated will be nearly equal to one half of the present building, by which ample accommodation will be afforded and the architectural appearance of the Church much improved.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF BUILDING COMMITTEE

July 6, 1852.

The Treasurer of the Building Committee, Mr. J. M. Davis, reported that the amount of money for the enlargement of the Church paid to date was \$2,580.79.

Vestry meetings during 1852, 1853, 1854 and 1855 are recorded, but there is no mention of any business transacted.

The following is a notice of the Easter election of 1852:

State Gazette

Tuesday, April 13, 1852

The election for vestrymen of St. Michael Church was held yesterday, and resulted in the choice of the old vestry as follows: John R. Dill, William Pearson, J. M. Davis and J. S. Fish.

SEQUEL TO THE ELECTION

It appears from an article printed in the *State Gazette* on April 16 of that year, that the election was a contested one:

Nothing about this matter appears upon the minutes, but the facts seem to be clearly set forth in the printed article which was evidently written and inspired by some one familiar with the causes of the disagreement or what lay behind them.

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Friday, April 16, 1852 (2-1)

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There appeared in each of the papers of this city on the 12th instant, an announcement of the result of an election held on that day for Vestrymen. As it is *unusual* to notice such matters here in the newspapers, and as doubtless some *good* object was designed by the publication, it may be as well to state *all* the circumstances attending the election.

For some time there has existed great dissatisfaction among a respectable portion of the contributors in respect to the course taken towards the Bishop, (originating here) and also the general management of its temporalities.

To mark their disapprobation, it was esteemed to be a duty to endeavor to discipline a portion of the Vestrymen.

Fifty-five votes were polled. About 18 were given for the new ticket, and about 36 for the contested portion of the old. Some of the old members received all the votes cast. *One-third*, therefore, of the congregation voted for the change. It may be added that this one-third vote was composed, with but one exception, of male suffrages, the other two-thirds being those principally of females, who, having been feelingly appealed to, voted in approval of the course of the Rector and the old Vestry within the parish, but as was well understood, without reference to any question of interest to the church at large.

As this is the first time in the history of St. Michael's that there has been a contested election, it is deemed advisable that all the facts should be truly stated.

Let the blame of this exhibition of *want of harmony* in the parish rest where it ought. No further comment is made.

(The above communication seems to require of us the simple remark, that our paragraph, reporting the result of the election at St. Michael's, was published by us without any suggestion from either of the parties, simply because it excited considerable interest, it is our business to collect matters of this kind.)

(The Reporter.)

ANTAGONISM TO BISHOP DOANE

Without attempting to enter into the unprofitable ecclesiastical controversies of those remote days, it might be said here, that

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there was considerable opposition to Bishop Doane on the part of a section of the laity in the diocese, perhaps to be attributed to his churchmanship which was regarded as "advanced" in those days, and this episode is doubtless a local repercussion of that controversy.

THE FORMATION OF ST. PAUL'S CHURCH

St. Paul's Church was the first daughter of St. Michael's. The parish was organized in 1848, by a group of persons who deemed the time was ripe for another Episcopal church, and that the location of such was needed in South Trenton. The building was erected in 1848. The wardens and vestrymen chosen were:

John Hewitt	Charles Hewitt
Josiah N. Bird	William E. Hunt
Edward Cooper	Abram Salger
Jacob B. Gaddis	Joseph Tompkins

State Gazette

September 13, 1848

South Trenton Episcopal Church. The building of this handsome edifice is progressing finely. It is situated upon the elevated level near the State Prison, in the midst of a rapidly increasing population of working men, upon whom it cannot fail to exercise a salutary influence. The Rev. Mr. Franklin, a gentleman of fine talents, has been engaged to minister to the spiritual wants of the congregation.

THE COOPER HEWITT IRON WORKS

The formation of St. Paul's parish was due to the establishment about that time of the great Cooper & Hewitt's iron mills in Trenton which drew to Trenton a large number of industrial workers, chiefly Irish and German, though there was evidently a contingent which desired the ministrations of the Episcopal Church. Peter Cooper, the New York philanthropist, was the head of the firm and the other member was his son-in-law Abram S. Hewitt subsequently mayor of New York City.

THE RESIGNATION OF THE REV. MR. STARR

The Rev. Mr. Starr's long pastorate of nineteen years was now about to terminate, and the fact is thus tersely announced:

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Meeting of Vestry, March 23, 1855.

Rev. Samuel Starr, Rector, sent in his resignation as Rector to accept a call from Grace Church, Cedar Rapids, Iowa, to take effect some day in April by agreement; dated March 23, 1855—Accepted.

A SUCCESSFUL MINISTRY

The report for the year 1851, by the rector, shows that the parish had grown considerably since the beginning of his ministry in 1836. Families and pewholders had increased from 88 to 110; communicants from 56 to 117.

DEATH OF THE REV. SAMUEL STARR

State Gazette

Friday May 9, 1862

Rev. Samuel Starr for several years Rector of St. Michael's Church in this City died recently at Chicago, when on his way to his home at Cedar Rapids, Iowa. Mr. Starr was widely known in this community, and as generally respected and beloved. He left Trenton some seven or eight years since for the west, and has since resided in Iowa, where he was rector of a parish of the Episcopal Church.

RESOLUTIONS OFFERED ON THE DEATH OF THE REV. MR. STARR

Adoption of resolutions on the death of Rev. Samuel Starr, former Rector of this Parish from December 4, 1836, to May 1, 1855, which occurred in Chicago, Ill., on Thursday May 1, 1862, sent to family. S. S. Stryker, J. M. Davis & James Murphy, committee.

SKETCH OF THE REV. SAMUEL STARR

The Rev. Samuel Starr, son of Edward and Abigail Hoyt Starr, was born August 1, 1807, at Reading, Connecticut; graduated in 1829 at Washington (now Trinity) College, Hartford; ordained a clergyman of the Episcopal Church at Camden, N.J.; soon afterward removed to Trenton where, as assistant to Bishop Doane, rector of St. Michael's Church, and chaplain of the state prison, he spent more than 20 years of faithful service. In 1855 he accepted a call to Grace Church, Cedar Rapids,

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Iowa, to which he ministered until 1860. He went East hoping to benefit his declining health, and while on the return journey "the angel of God met him in the way," and suddenly he entered upon his eternal rest May 1, 1862, at Chicago, and was buried at Cedar Rapids, where in the new Grace Church a beautiful window is in sacred memorial of the Christian, gentleman, and faithful pastor. A local paper says, "It becomes us who mourn our departed friend, to point to his work as the most fitting and eloquent tribute to his worth, . . . here, where his high attainments as a Christian and a man of letters, blended with a suavity of manner rarely to be found, won for him the love and esteem of all."

(Above copied from the *Starr Family*, p. 310. [pub. 1879].)

A relative of the Rev. Samuel Starr, Professor William Starr Myers, of Princeton University, is at present (1925) a vestryman of St. Michael's Church.

CHAPTER XXIV

BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCHES, SERIES B

1800-1860

THE following is a partial list of the authorities from which much of the material is taken for these sketches: *The Mechanics Bank* 1839-1919; *The Trenton Savings Fund Society*, 1919; *Trenton Banking Company*, 1907; Hall, *History of the Presbyterian Church in Trenton*, 2nd ed., 1912; Cooley, *Early Settlers in Trenton and Ewing; History of Burlington and Mercer County*, 1886; Keasbey, *Courts and Lawyers of New Jersey*, 1912; Lee, *Genealogical and Personal Memorial of Mercer County*, 1907; *Mercer County, N. J.*; Mills, *Historic Houses of New Jersey*, 1902; Names and Inscriptions on Tombstones in St. Michael's Churchyard; Files of Trenton Newspapers; Files of New Jersey State *Legislative Manual*. Several of the sketches were furnished by Philip Wharton Dickinson and others were obtained by letter or personal interviews from individuals whose ancestors are here dealt with.

In the case of several well-known Trenton families brief genealogical notes have been appended. These families include the Beasleys, Cadwaladers, Dickinsons, Higbees and Hunts.

THE BEASLEY FAMILY

For a sketch of the Rev. Frederick Beasley see his rectorate of St. Michael's Church, 1830-1836.

BEASLEY, MERCER—Was born in Mercer County, New Jersey, 1815. His father was the Rev. Frederick Beasley, for many years provost of the University of Pennsylvania, and rector of St. Michael's Church, Trenton, 1830-1836. His mother was Maria Williamson, daughter of Matthias Williamson, who was a brother of Governor Isaac Williamson. He entered the junior class of Princeton College, but was not graduated. He read law in Trenton under the tutelage of Samuel L. Southard, and later in the office of Chancellor Isaac H. Williamson, at Elizabeth. He was admitted to the bar in 1838, and became a counsellor in 1842. In 1864 he was appointed, by Governor Parker, chief-justice of the Supreme Court. He was reappointed by Governor Randolph in 1871, by Governor McClellan in 1878, by Governor Abbett in 1885,

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and again in 1892 holding office until his death February 19, 1897, a period of thirty-three years. Mercer Beasley was twice married. By his first wife Frances, daughter of Charles Higbee, he had three children, Charlotte who married Edward T. Green, Mercer who married Mary Stockton and Frances who married Chief-Justice William S. Gummere. By his second wife Catherine Havens he had one son Chauncey who married Jessie Fleming. None of these is now living except Frances, Mrs. Gummere.

DE BELLEVILLE, NICHOLAS JACQUES EMMANUEL—Is mentioned as a contributor to St. Michael's Church in the list of parishioners made by the Rev. William L. Johnson, in 1825. He was born in France in 1753 and came to America in 1777, in company with Count Pulaski, acting in the capacity of a physician to that nobleman. The two came to Trenton in connection with the Count's efforts to recruit a legion which he had been authorized to raise, by the Provincial Congress. Dr. de Belleville, while in Trenton, made the acquaintance of Dr. Bryant, who induced him to settle in Trenton and practise his profession. He accepted the advice given him and remained here until his death, December 17, 1831, in the seventy-ninth year of his age. He was buried in the graveyard of the First Presbyterian Church. In Hall's *History of the Presbyterian Church in Trenton* (pp. 260-2), there is an extended account of his life. His daughter, Mary de Belleville, married James Clark, and their daughters, (1) Susan Elizabeth, and (2) Anne de Belleville, were successively the wives of William Edgar Hunt.

(For the descendants of Dr. de Belleville see sketch of William Edgar Hunt)

A SOLDIER IN WASHINGTON'S BODY GUARD

BRYANT, JONATHAN—Mentioned as sexton of St. Michael's Church in 1825, was a soldier in the Revolutionary War. He served in Captain Ezra Newhall's Company, 27th Regiment, Continental Infantry, commanded by Colonel Israel Hutchinson; at battle of Trenton, N.J., December 26, 1776; honorably discharged at Newtown, Pa., December 30, 1776; and re-enlisted for three years, Captain George Lewis's Troop, 3d Regiment, Continental Dragoons, commanded by Colonel George Baylor; assigned with Troop to the Cavalry of the *Commander-in-Chief's Guard*, commanded by Captain George Lewis, May 1, 1777; at battle of Brandywine, Del., September 11, 1777; battle of Germantown, Pa., October 4, 1777; battle of Monmouth, N.J., June 28, 1778; rejoined regiment September 26, 1778; at skirmish of Tappan, N.Y., September 28, 1778; honorably discharged at Schuylkill Barracks, Philadelphia, Pa., December 13, 1779.

NOTE BY C. E. G.

In the Revolutionary Pension Case of the above soldier, dated Trenton, N.J., August 2, 1820, it is shown that he was born in October 1755; that his occupation was a shoemaker and sexton of St. Michael's Church; that his wife was Jane (who was born in June 1755), and that he had living with his family a grand-daughter, who was Jane Ann Davenport (born in 1808). According to my history the soldier, Jonathan Bryant died in Trenton, N.J., September 21, 1831.

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THE CADWALADER FAMILY

DR. THOMAS CADWALADER was the first of the family to be associated with Trenton. He became, in 1746, the first chief burgess of the town. In 1750 he gave £500 to found a public library. He married a daughter of Thomas Lambert, son of Thomas, one of the first settlers. He died November 18, 1779, in the seventy-third year of his age. His son, Lambert, was born in Trenton in 1741. He represented New Jersey in the Continental Congress from 1784 to 1787, and in the Federal Congress 1789-1791, and again 1793-1795. He died September 13, 1823, in the eighty-second year of his age.

CADWALADER, THOMAS MCCALL—Lambert's son, whose name appears in the list of parishioners of St. Michael's Church, 1825, was born September 11, 1795. He was graduated at Princeton and studied law, but did not practise. He owned and resided on the family estate in the western section of Trenton, which during the last twenty-five years has been developed for residences, and is now one of the most popular portions of the City. It is from this family that Cadwalader Park takes its name.

Mr. Cadwalader was appointed June 2, 1830, deputy adjutant-general Hunterdon Brigade, New Jersey Militia, and lieutenant-colonel and aide-de-camp to Gov. Seeley April 10, 1833, and Brigadier General and Adjutant-General of New Jersey July 30, 1842. The last position he retained, through all changes of politics, until his resignation January 26, 1858. In 1856, at the request of the governor, he proceeded to Europe to travel through various countries, and report as to the fire-arms there in use. The report was printed. In March 1858, in pursuance of a special Act of the Legislature, he was brevetted major-general for long and meritorious services. He died at Greenwood, October 22, 1873. He married December 27, 1831, Maria C., daughter of Nicholas Gouverneur of New York by his wife Hester, daughter of Lawrence Kortright, and sister of the wife of President Monroe.

Thomas M. Cadwalader was the father of John Lambert Cadwalader of New York who provided the extension to the Free Public Library of Trenton in 1914. He died March 11, 1914. Another son was Richard McCall Cadwalader, a prominent lawyer of Philadelphia whose son, of the same name, married Emily W. Roebling, daughter of Charles G. Roebling of Trenton. He died December 9, 1918. A daughter Mary married the celebrated Dr. S. Weir Mitchell of Philadelphia. John L. and Richard McCall were alumni of Princeton University.

Thomas M. Cadwalader was one of the founders of Trinity Church, Trenton in 1858. Both he and his wife are buried in the Friends' Burying Ground, Hanover and Montgomery Streets, Trenton.

CLYMER, HENRY—*Vestry 1820*. Was born in Philadelphia, July 21, 1767, died at his seat, Somerville, near Morrisville, Bucks County, Pennsylvania, April 17, 1830. Son of George Clymer, the signer, by Elizabeth, sister of General Samuel Meredith. Married in Philadelphia, July 9, 1794, Mary, daughter of Thomas and Anne (McCall) Witting, born September 15, 1770, died October 25, 1852. Mr. Clymer graduated at Princeton, 1786. Admitted to the Pennsylvania Bar 1790.

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DAVIS, JAMES M.—*Warden 1853-1873, Vestry 1849-1873*. Was born at Shawangunk, now Ulster County, New York, August 6, 1818. He studied dentistry in Trenton under Dr. Daniel Foster in 1842. He began his practice in Washington, D.C., but returned to Trenton in 1845, and worked at his profession for over forty years. He married, May 11, 1843, Elizabeth H., daughter of Samuel Kallam and Margaret Miller, of Trenton. Their children were Frances, wife of Dr. J. L. Bodine, of Trenton, Ilicia W., the wife of the Rev. John S. Gibson, an Episcopal clergyman of the Shenandoah Valley, West Virginia, and Marvinia James, wife of Henry D. Scudder, of Trenton. Dr. Davis died July 4, 1885. A grandson is Joseph L. Bodine, Judge of the U.S. District Court, and a granddaughter is Elizabeth D. Bodine, both living in Trenton.

THE DICKINSON FAMILY

THE Dickinson family were connected with St. Michael's Church from very early days, their names being recorded among the parishioners in a list made in 1825 by the Rev. William L. Johnson.

DICKINSON, SAMUEL,—Son of General Philemon Dickinson, was born in Philadelphia April 6, 1770, studied law with Edward Tilgham of Philadelphia, and was admitted to the bar of Pennsylvania in 1792, but never practised. He returned to Trenton and resided on his estate "The Grange" in Milham, now the eighth ward of Trenton. On the death of his father, he removed to his father's estate, "The Hermitage," afterwards the Atterbury property on West State Street. He married his cousin, Ann, daughter of General Samuel Meredith, November 25, 1796. He died at the Hermitage November 6, 1837.

THE CHILDREN OF SAMUEL AND ANN MEREDITH DICKINSON

Mary, born October 16, 1797, died May 1863, married October 21, 1830 William Coleman McCall.

John, born March 7, 1802, married (1) Elizabeth Barlow, May 10, 1831; (2) Ury Drake, June 2, 1836.

Philemon, born February 16, 1804, died September 2, 1882, married December 3, 1834 Margaret Corinne Clothilde Gobert.

Samuel, born November 30, 1806, died July 18, 1852, married June 30, 1840 Martha Gibson.

DICKINSON, PHILEMON—*Vestry 1830-1836; 1844-1845*. Was born at "The Grange," the residence of his father, Samuel Dickinson, in Milham, now East Trenton, February 4, 1803. Received his early education at the old Trenton Academy. Entered Princeton College 1819, graduating A.B. 1822. Read law with Hon. Charles Ewing, at one time chief justice of the Supreme Court: Admitted to the bar 1826; solicitor Trenton Banking Co. 1826-1828, director 1828-1882, president 1832-1881; corporation counsel, city of Trenton 1828-1830; United States pension agent for New Jersey 1837-1861, and again 1866-1869; member Common Council of Trenton 1844-1845, when he prepared, introduced and pushed to its final passage an Ordinance erecting

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a Sinking Fund, commencing with \$500.00. In March 1882 Mr. Dickinson told his nephew, the writer of this memoir, that the fund had increased to \$450,000. Chosen freeholder, Mercer County 1854-1857. Member Constitutional Commission of New Jersey 1873. President Old Delaware Bridge Co; many years president Trenton Water Works, and president and director in many corporations. Honorary Member New Jersey State Society of the Cincinnati and of the New Jersey Historical Society. One of the founders of Trinity Church in 1858. Married in St. John's Chapel, New York, December 3, 1834, Margaret Corinne Clothilde Gobert, daughter of Charles and Charlotte Tiebout (Ogden) Gobert. Mrs. Dickinson was born in March 1811, died July 2, 1875. She was a prominent figure in the social life of Trenton for forty years, and active in church affairs in St. Michael's and Trinity. Admired and beloved by all for her kindness of heart and her gracious presence, truly a *grande dame* of the old régime.

Mr. Dickinson died September 2, 1882.

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CHILDREN OF PHILEMON AND MARGARET GOBERT DICKINSON

Philemon, born August 12, 1835, died October 23, 1861, unmarried.

Emily Gouverneur, born June 24, 1837, married September 29, 1857, Richard Fowler Stevens.

Samuel Meredith, born June 25, 1839, died January 29, 1905, married September 28, 1871, Garetta Moore.

Mary, born January 9, 1841, died December 12, 1917, unmarried.

George Fox, born November 9, 1843, died 1913, married October 17, 1866, Jane Parrott.

Charlotte, born August 3, 1846, married June 8, 1871, Garret D. W. Vroom.

Of the above Samuel Meredith Dickinson was a life-long resident of Trenton and a distinguished citizen and official of the State. He was born at the "Hermitage," Trenton, on June 25, 1839. In 1856 and 1857 he was engaged in mercantile pursuits in New York City. He then returned to Trenton and studied law in the office of Mercer Beasley subsequently chief-justice. On the outbreak of the Civil War he entered the military service of New Jersey as a private. He served by enlistment April 1861, with the command for the protection of the New Jersey State Arsenal, Trenton. He received an appointment and commission as paymaster, United States Navy, June 17, 1861. He resigned upon the return of his vessel to Philadelphia November 1, 1862. In 1863 he was appointed private secretary to Governor Joel Parker and commissioned major and aide-de-camp, General Staff, Third Division, New Jersey Militia, April 12, 1864. In 1865 he was commissioned assistant adjutant-general of the State in recognition of his services during the war; acting adjutant-general of New Jersey June 23, to September 14, 1877, and for long and faithful service was commissioned brigadier-general by brevet and retired July 5, 1893.

Mr. Dickinson was admitted as an attorney in 1863 and as counsellor-at-law in 1866. In 1867 when the office of comptroller of the treasurer was estab-

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lished, he was made deputy under Comptroller Wm. K. McDonald, and remained in that office during his term. In 1871 he entered the office of Clerk of Court of Chancery and continued to perform the responsible duties devolving upon him, for which his extended knowledge of chancery practice fitted him, until his death.

Mr. Dickinson was the author of two valuable works; one is *Chancery Precedents*, published in 1879, with a second edition published in 1894, and *Probate Court Practice*, published in 1884 and revised in 1896, both of which books were accepted as authorities by bench and bar. Upon the death of John H. Stewart in 1890 Mr. Dickinson was appointed chancery court reporter, compiling and publishing for the official state records all the cases of that court, which position he held at the time of his death. For many years he held the position of president of New Jersey Society Sons of the Revolution, and was a member of Military Order of the Loyal Legion of the U.S. Commandery of the State of Pennsylvania. He was also treasurer of Trenton Battle Monument Association. Mr. Dickinson died at his home in Trenton, January 29, 1905.

The children of Samuel Meredith and Garetta Moore Dickinson are all living, and are well known in Trenton, where they were born, and where several are still making their homes. The boys are all alumni of Princeton University. John M., Philemon, Walter Meredith, Lynford, Frances M., Sackett M.

Mary Dickinson, daughter of Philemon and Margaret Gobert Dickinson, lived in Trenton all her life. She was unmarried, and a woman of striking personality.

Charlotte, the widow of Garret D. W. Vroom, with their daughter, Gertrude G., is living in Trenton. They are communicants of St. Michael's Church.

A MOTHER IN ISRAEL

DICKINSON, MARTHA—Daughter of William and Sarah (Wharton-Collins) Gibson, and wife of Colonel Samuel Dickinson, was born at Springfield, at the east end of Otsego Lake, Otsego County, New York, February 10, 1815, and died at Bordentown, New Jersey, December 7, 1861. She was educated first at the Young Ladies Seminary, Richfield Springs, New York, finishing at Miss Hannah Newbold's Select School for Young Ladies in Philadelphia, Pa. She was married at the "Cottage", residence of her brother-in-law, Major Thomas Meredith, near Carbondale, Pennsylvania, June 16, 1840, to Col. Samuel Dickinson of Trenton, New Jersey, and in 1841 became a member of St. Michael's Protestant Episcopal Church, Trenton, New Jersey, and for the next eighteen years was probably the most prominent woman in the parish: president of the Dorcas Society; matron of the Home for Aged and Infirm Women, and the Children's Home. She was the teacher of the Young Ladies Bible Class, which was composed of the daughters of many of the oldest families of Trenton. She was always a social leader, although that was of secondary importance to her. She was looked upon by the rectors of her day, Revs. Starr, Clements and Duane, as their "right-

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hand man." Dr. Duane, in a letter of introduction given to the writer of this memoir to Rev. Samuel Kellogg, of Kansas City, Missouri, said "I want to introduce to you a dear young friend of mine, the son of one of the ablest women of her day, and one of my best loved friends, now a Saint in Paradise."

Mrs. Dickinson was an extremely handsome woman, of majestic appearance, and gracious manners, universally beloved by rich and poor. A son is Philip Wharton Dickinson, the genealogist. P.W.D.

THE DICKINSON HOMESTEAD—THE "HERMITAGE"

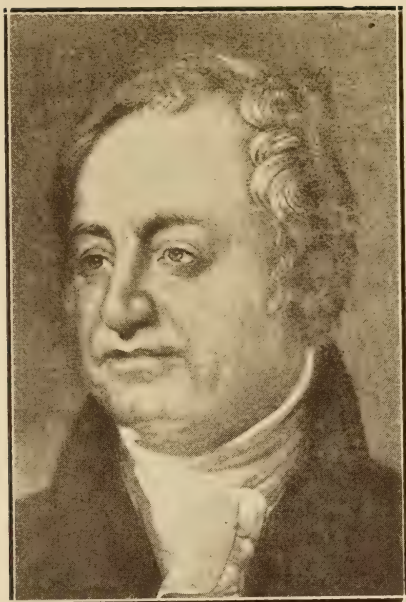
The "Hermitage," originally built and occupied by the Rutherford family previous to the War of the Revolution, was purchased by General Philemon Dickinson in 1776, shortly before the Battle of Trenton. It was occupied for many years by the Dickinson family, being the home of Samuel Dickinson, son of the General, who married Ann, a daughter of General Samuel Meredith. Subsequently it was the home of his son Philemon. Many famous people were entertained in this mansion during the Dickinson régime. John Adams, a personal friend of General Dickinson was a frequent guest. Later Madame Moreau "the beautiful Parisian," and Louis Philippe, a future King of France, together with many other notables, enjoyed the hospitality of the "Hermitage." A partial list of the celebrities entertained was compiled some years ago by Philip Wharton Dickinson. It includes the names of Washington, Adams (John), Jefferson, Livingston, Franklin, Morris (Robert and Gouverneur), Clymer, Witherspoon, Rutledge, Pinckney, Middleton, Carroll, Lafayette, Steuben, Rochambeau, Greene, Putnam, Stirling, Wayne, Knox, Lincoln and two kings, viz., Louis Philippe and Joseph Bonaparte. The mansion subsequently came into the possession of the Atterbury family, and early in the present century was sold by them, and is now occupied as an apartment house. "Sic transit gloria mundi!"

(See Mills: *Historic Houses of New Jersey*, "The Hermitage," J. P. Lippincott Company, 1902.)

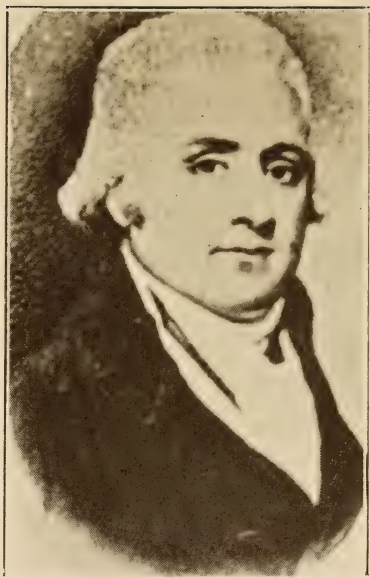
DILL, JOHN R.—*Vestry 1837-1870*. The son of George Dill, at one time president of the Mechanics National Bank in Trenton. He was born in 1803, and spent his whole life in Trenton, dying here October 17, 1880, in the seventy-seventh year of his age. He married May 30, 1850, Catharine, daughter of Pearson Yard, and Ann Cook, of Philadelphia. Mrs. Dill was one of the founders of the Children's Home and treasurer and manager of it for twenty years. She was also one of the founders of the Widow's Home. P.W.D.

FISH, JONATHAN SACKETT—*Vestry 1850-1867*. The eldest son of Benjamin Fish, was born May 19, 1815. He was treasurer of the City of Trenton, also a member of the New Jersey Assembly in 1858. In 1837 he married Emmeline Howell. His daughter, Emily, married Frederick Auten. They had three children, Elizabeth P., Harry Fish and Frederick P. Auten. Mr. Fish died April 29, 1872.

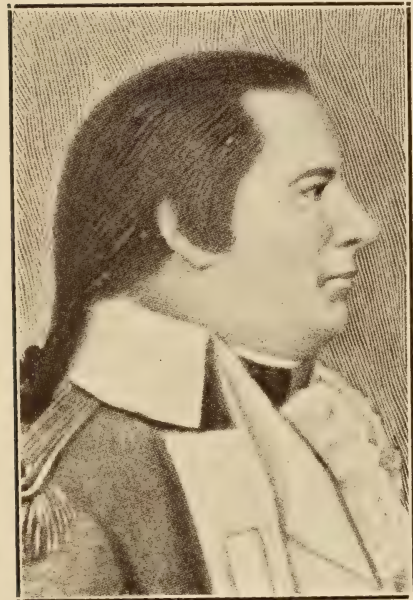
GLENTWORTH, PLUNKET FLEESON, M.D.—*Warden 1820-1824; Vestry 1820-1824; 1827*. Was the son of George Glentworth, M.D., and Margaret,



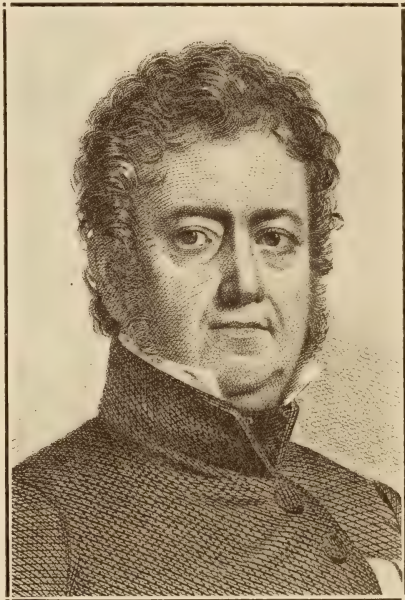
JOHN RUTHERFORD
1760-1840
VESTRY 1800-1806



JOSEPH HIGBEE III
1764-1829
VESTRY 1807-1826



JONATHAN RHEA
1754-1815
VESTRY 1794-1814



GARRET D. WALL
1783-1850
VESTRY 1817-1824

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daughter of John Linton. Was secretary of the University of Pennsylvania 1791; a fellow of the College of Physicians; a founder of the Academy of Fine Arts, and trustee of the Society of the Protestant-Episcopal Church for the Advancement of Christianity in Pennsylvania. During the residence of George Washington in Philadelphia, he was attended by Dr. Glentworth, who is thus mentioned by Washington, in a letter under date of April 20, 1797: "Thanks to the kind attention of my esteemed friend Dr. Glentworth . . . than whom no nobler man or skillful physician ever lived I am now restored to my usual state of health." Dr. Glentworth was buried in St. Paul's Churchyard, Philadelphia, January 19, 1833.

GORDON, THOMAS—*Warden 1822-1825; Vestry 1821-1825*. Was born September 23, 1778. He seems to have come from Flemington where he was a prominent mason, being past master of Hiram Lodge No. 25. He was a surveyor by profession and the author of a map of New Jersey, being especially distinguished as a conveyancer. He served for a time as a judge of the Court of Common Pleas. He died September 25, 1848. The graves of Thomas Gordon and his wife Rebecca Gordon are marked by a shaft on the south side of St. Michael's graveyard.

HALSTED, WILLIAM, JR.—*Warden 1837-1852; Vestry 1822-1824; 1828-1855*. Belonged to the family of Halsteds in Essex County. He was a brother of Chancellor Oliver Spencer Halsted of Newark. He was graduated from the College of New Jersey in 1812, and was admitted to the bar in 1816. He was an industrious and indefatigable lawyer, had a large practice, and was usually retained by those who had suits against the Camden and Amboy Railroad Company. He was prosecutor of the Pleas in Hunterdon County from 1833 to 1837. He was a member of Congress from 1837 to 1839, and from 1841 to 1843, was appointed district attorney for the district of New Jersey, and held the office of Reporter of the Supreme Court. He published *Halsted's Reports* in seven volumes. He raised the First New Jersey Cavalry in the Civil War, and went out as Colonel of the Regiment, but was not long in the service. He died in 1873, at the age of eighty-four.

THE HIGBEE FAMILY

HIGBEE, CHARLES—*Warden 1817-1818; 1821; 1825; Vestry 1810-1815; 1819; 1821; 1825; Trustee 1807*. HIGBEE, JOSEPH, III—*Warden 1807; 1819-1820; 1825-1826; Vestry 1807-1826*. Sons of Joseph Higbee, II, also a vestryman, were born in Trenton. Charles and his brother Joseph, removed to Philadelphia, and were merchants in the China trade. On returning to Trenton Joseph Higbee erected the mansion known as "Richmond Hill," where Colonel Washington Roebling's home now stands. Charles Higbee lived first in "The Cottage" on the banks of the Assanpink, next at "The Grange," formerly the residence of Samuel Dickinson, and after 1815 on the place on West State Street afterwards occupied by Mr. Philemon Dickinson, which he purchased from the estate of Colonel Jonathan Rhea. He greatly beautified the town by the planting of fine trees upon all these properties. He

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was a trustee of the Trenton Academy. Charles died February 14, 1841, at the age of seventy-two, and Joseph December 12, 1829, in his sixty-fifth year. Joseph Higbee was born in 1765. He married Elizabeth Lawrence Lewis of Philadelphia.

Both Joseph and Charles had unusually large families; the names of their children are found in a list of parishioners of St. Michael's Church, made in 1825, by the Rev. William L. Johnson.

NOTES ON JOSEPH HIGBEE'S DESCENDANTS

Lewis Pemberton married, 1841, Mary Trent Rossell, daughter of General Zachariah Rossell by Lydia, daughter of Nathan Beakes, whose wife Mary was a daughter of Major William Trent and a granddaughter of Colonel William Trent.

Virginia Elinor, married Samuel Lewis Southard, son of U.S. Senator Samuel L. Southard. Their daughter, Fannie Welford, married John Hoff Stewart. Mrs. Southard died in Trenton, January 24, 1904, Mrs. Stewart died in China 1912. The body was brought to Trenton and buried in River-view Cemetery. A daughter of Mrs. Stewart, is the wife of Bishop Gouverneur Mosher of the Philippine Islands.

Virginia Eleanor, another daughter of Mrs. Southard, born July 13, 1845, died March 19, 1913, married Malcolm Hay. Their daughter Fanny Southard, married Keppele Hall, son of John Hall late of this City, and a grandson of the Rev. Dr. John Hall, for many years pastor of the First Presbyterian Church, Trenton.

HOWE, ROSWELL—*Warden 1850-1856; 1859-1870; Vestry 1849-1870.* Was born in Trenton, New Jersey, 1793, died there April 5, 1871, in the seventy-ninth year of his age.

Daily State Gazette

Thursday, April 6, 1871

We have the sad duty to announce the death of Roswell Howe an old and highly esteemed citizen for more than fifty years at Lawrenceville, Pennington and Trenton. Mr. Howe has been eminent as a grammar school teacher. Many of our most useful and honored citizens have been his scholars, and they always speak of him as one of the thorough old school disciplinarians, who, devoted to his profession, spared no pains in grounding his students in the elements of knowledge. Always interested in his Church and in his country, and carefully studying their welfare, he was ever active in the cause of religion and freedom. None more sincerely pious or thoroughly patriotic.

P.W.D.

THE HUNT FAMILY

HUNT, ABRAHAM—Born 1740, died October 27, 1821, was a wealthy merchant in Trenton and also postmaster for several terms. It was at his house that Colonel Rall, the Hessian commander, was entertained on the night preceding the Battle of Trenton. He was a Presbyterian but married two Church women, (1) Theodosia Pearson, (2) Mary Dagworthy.

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HUNT, PEARSON—*Vestry 1810-1820; 1822-1824*. Was a son of Abraham Hunt, by his first wife, Theodosia Pearson, daughter of Robert Pearson, II. He married Rachael Higbee of the well-known family connected for many years with St. Michael's Church. He was the first cashier of the Trenton Banking Company, organized in 1805. He was buried November 6, 1828.

HUNT, WESLEY P.—*Warden 1827-1837; Vestry 1826-1837; 1852-1858*. The son of Pearson Hunt, was born March 31, 1796. He was a clerk in the store of his grandfather, Abraham Hunt, and afterwards carried on business for himself. He became a clerk in the Trenton Banking Company in 1832, and afterwards Pension Agent. About 1860 he removed to Minnesota, and resided with his son, William Edgar Hunt, in Minneapolis. He was appointed clerk in the Treasury Department at Washington in 1864, and held the position a short time when he returned to St. Paul, and died there December 20, 1866.

HUNT, WILLIAM EDGAR—Was the son of Peter Hunt and Maria Furman. He was a grand-nephew of Abraham Hunt. He was born at Lambertton, N. J., July 18, 1806. He married in turn two sisters (1) Susan Elizabeth (2) Annie de Belleville daughters of James Clark and Mary de Belleville, daughter of Nicholas Jacques Emmanuel de Belleville. He was a United States naval officer. Entering the service as a midshipman in 1831, he rose to the rank of Commander in 1860, when he lost his life while in command of U.S. sloop of War, *Levant*, in a great typhoon which occurred in the Pacific Ocean in September of that year. Nothing was ever heard of the ship or the crew. He had two sons and four daughters. Several grandchildren of his are living in Trenton today, being the children of his daughters, Annie Belleville, by his first wife; Sue Elizabeth and Matilda Emily, by his second wife.

NOTES ON THE TRENTON DESCENDANTS OF WILLIAM EDGAR HUNT

- (1) Annie Belleville (died 1916) married Edward Shippen MacIlvaine.
Margaret Shippen married John A. Roebbling.
Anne.
Maria, married Henry VanKleek Gillmore.
Francis Shippen, married Irene Ingraham Jones.
- (2) Sue Elizabeth (died 1920) married Elmer Ewing Green.
Elmer Ewing, Jr., died 1904.
William Edgar, married Annie Fisk.
Caleb Smith Green, married Eugenia MacCauley.
- (3) Matilda Emily (died 1924) married Cleaveland Hilson.
Cleaveland, married Hattie Elkins.
Annie de Belleville, died 1882.
Marie Louise Hunt, married Edward Lawrence Katzenbach.
Hugh Hill, married Josephine MacLeod.
Sue Elizabeth.
Margaret Corwin.
Matilda Renaudet de Belleville.

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KERWOOD, WILLIAM—*Warden 1819; 1826; 1836; Vestry 1815-1827; 1836-1839.* Was born in Monmouthshire, England, in 1779. He came to this country with his parents when six years of age and settled near Trenton. He was prominent in the Masonic order and was a Senior Grand Warden and a member of Trenton Lodge. He died January 22, 1867, and was buried in St. Michael's graveyard.

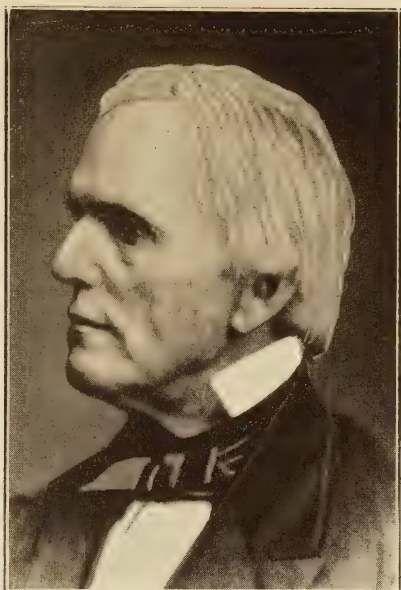
MERSHON, JOHN—*Warden 1837-1842; Vestry 1822-1842.* Came to Trenton from Princeton about 1820 where he was engaged in the mercantile business. He was born on Christmas Day 1792 and died in Trenton December 15, 1842. His body is buried in the ground over which the parish house was afterwards erected. The vestry "in grateful recognition of his unwearied devotion to the interests of St. Michael's Church for more than twenty years" erected a tombstone to his memory. His wife, Eliza D. Mershon, daughter of John and Ann Ryale died March 24, 1864, and was buried beside her husband.

PAXSON, STACY A.—*Vestry 1847.* Fifth in descent from Mahlon Stacy, was born in Trenton, November 8, 1797. In early life he filled several clerical positions. He was married April 24, 1828, to Mary W. Van Cleve of Lawrenceville. Mr. Paxson was a member of the Society of Friends and his wife was a Presbyterian. They composed their religious differences by joining the Episcopal Church and became, and were, devout members of St. Michael's the rest of their lives. Upon the opening of the Mechanics National Bank, Trenton, in 1834 Mr. Paxson was its only clerk, so small was that institution at first. He afterwards became a general merchant in Princeton, and while living there was elected by the legislature in joint meeting in 1845 to be State treasurer, removing with his family to Trenton, and was successively re-elected in 1846 and 1847, dying on May 26, 1847, while holding that office. He was ill but a few days with pneumonia. He was for a brief period before his death a vestryman of St. Michael's Church.

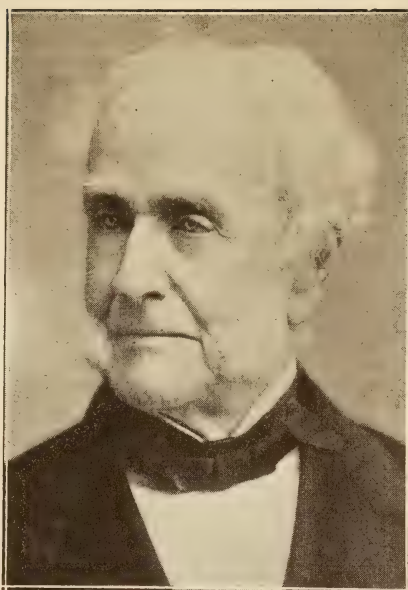
A grandson is Edwin Robert Walker, chancellor of New Jersey.

PEARSON, CHARLES L., M.D.—*Vestry 1847-1848.* Was a native of Philadelphia. His father was Isaac L. Pearson, who settled in Trenton 1850. Charles L. Pearson studied medicine under Dr. James B. Coleman of Trenton, and later at the Medical Department of Yale College. Having a competency he never actively engaged in practice, but lived a retired life. He was a director of the Trenton Banking Company, and a manager of the Trenton Savings Fund Society. He married in 1844, Mary, a daughter of George Woodruff, a native of Ewing Township, and brother of Aaron D. Woodruff, attorney-general of the State of New Jersey.

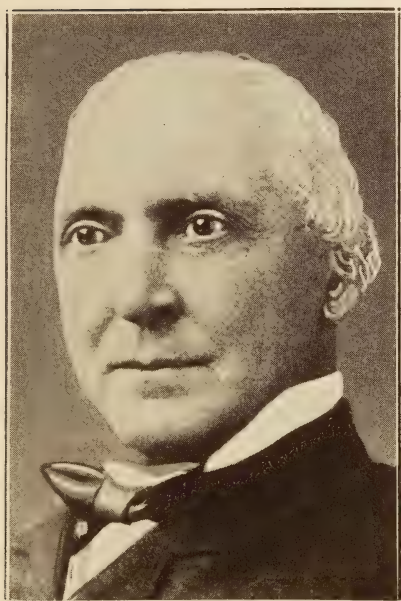
READ, JOHN—*Warden 1842-1845; 1849; Vestry 1842-1845; 1849.* Was born in Newcastle, Delaware, in 1769, son of George Read, the Signer, died at 85 Greene St., Trenton, New Jersey, July 5, 1854; was appointed Agent General for British Debts in America by President Washington in 1796, and re-appointed by President Adams. Member of Pennsylvania Assembly several years, and also of the Senate. Senior warden Christ Church, Philadelphia,



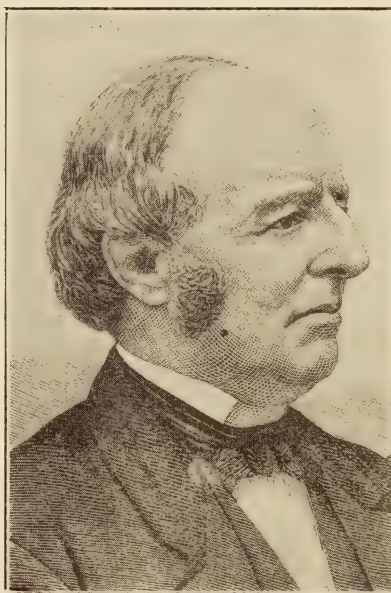
SAMUEL S. STRYKER
1797-1875
VESTRY 1828-1871



PHILEMON DICKINSON
1803-1882
VESTRY 1830-1836; 1844-1845



JAMES M. DAVIS
1818-1885
VESTRY 1849-1873



WILLIAM R. MCILVAINE
1820-1875
VESTRY 1862-1867; 1872-1874

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1810-16; St. James, Philadelphia, 1816-1830. For many years president Old Philadelphia Bank. Married Martha, eldest daughter General Samuel Meredith.
P.W.D.

RHEA, JONATHAN—*Warden 1794-1795; Vestry 1794-1814; Trustee 1802-1806.* Was born in Monmouth County, New Jersey, 1754, son of Jonathan and Lydia (Forman) Rhea, married Maria, daughter of Colonel Anthony Rutger, by Gertrude, daughter of Nicholas Gouverneur of Mt. Pleasant, one mile north of Newark. Mr. Rhea served during the war of the Revolution in the New Jersey line of the Continental Army. He was appointed ensign, Second New Jersey, January 1, 1777; 2nd lieutenant, April 1, 1778; resigned November 3, 1783, and was commissioned captain by brevet. He was admitted to the bar in 1784 and was twice elected by the joint meeting clerk of the Monmouth Common Pleas and in June 1793 was elected clerk of the Supreme Court, which office he held until November 1807. In 1793 he was a presidential elector, casting his vote for John Adams. He was quartermaster general of the State from 1807 to 1813. He was grand treasurer of the grand Lodge F. and A.M. from 1805 to 1813. Mr. Rhea was the second president of the Trenton Banking Company, serving as such from 1807 to 1815. He built the old mansion opposite the State House which was afterward sold to Joseph Higbee, who in turn sold it to George Fox of Philadelphia, who settled it on Philemon Dickinson, nephew by marriage of his uncle George Fox of Clamport, near Philadelphia. Mr. Rhea's daughter Mary was the wife of Garret D. Wall. Mr. Rhea died in Trenton February 3, 1815. A great-grandson was Garret D. W. Vroom.

THE ROSSELL FAMILY

ROSSELL, ZACHARIAH—*Vestry 1817-1826.* Third son of Hon. William Rossell, associate-justice of the New Jersey supreme court, and judge United States district court, by Anne Hatkinson; was born at Mount Holly, New Jersey, November 17, 1788. Commissioned captain in the United States Fifteenth Infantry, March 12, 1812, commanded by Colonel Zebulon Montgomery Pike; commissioned major December 31, 1813; served to end of War (1812); adjutant-general of the State of New Jersey from 1816 to 1842; clerk supreme court New Jersey 1817 until his death in Trenton, July 21, 1842. Married 1814, Lydia, daughter of Nathan Beakes, who was a great-granddaughter of Colonel William Trent.

CHILDREN OF ZACHARIAH AND LYDIA BEAKES ROSSELL

1. Mary Trent, born December 3, 1815, died April 1, 1887. Married 1841 Lewis Pemberton Higbee, who died in 1859, son of Joseph, III.
2. Nathan Beakes, born December 30, 1817. Killed at Gaines Mills, Virginia, June 27, 1862. Married 1841, Frances A. Mann. He was major Third Regiment, U.S. Infantry.
3. William Henry, born September 25, 1819, died July 20, 1885. His son William Trent Rossell, Brigadier General U.S. Engineers.

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4. Anna, born September 25, 1828, died July 21, 1909.

Miss Anna Rossell who lived for the most of her life in Trenton was the last representative of the Trent family in this city. She was the great-great granddaughter of Colonel William Trent and caused a bronze tablet to his memory to be set up in Trinity Church of which she was a member.

ROSSELL, CLIFFORD BEAKES—*Vertry 1875-1880*. Son of Nathan Beakes Rossell. Born Detroit, Michigan, June 4, 1845, died in Philadelphia, March 19, 1888, a civil engineer, for many years superintendent Delaware & Raritan Canal. Later manager of the coal lands of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company at Nanticoke, Pennsylvania. Married October 31, 1878, Lydia Simmons, daughter of Dr. Caspar Wister of Philadelphia, the noted chemist and surgeon.

RUTHERFORD, JOHN—*Warden 1800-1806; Trustee 1802-1806*. A senator from New Jersey; born in New York City, September 20, 1760; was graduated from Princeton College in 1776; studied law, was admitted to the bar, and practised in New York City, 1779-1787, and later in Edgerston, New Jersey; subsequently he came to Trenton remaining until 1807. He was a prominent Churchman and served several times as delegate to the diocesan convention. Presidential elector in 1798, 1813 and 1821; elected to the United States Senate and served from March 4, 1791 to December 5, 1798, when he resigned; member of the New York and New Jersey boundary commission in 1826, and of the New York, New Jersey and Pennsylvania boundary commission, 1829-1833; died in Rutherford, New Jersey, February 23, 1840. He married 1782, Helena, daughter of Lewis Morris, III.

STEVENS, JOHN G.—*Vestry 1860-1861; 1873*. Son of James Alexander and Maria (Fowler) Stevens; educated as a civil engineer. Chief engineer Camden & Amboy Railroad, superintendent Delaware & Raritan Canal, and President United Railways of New Jersey until their merger with the Pennsylvania Railroad Co. Married 1844-1845 Theodosia, daughter of Joseph and Theodosia (Woods) Higbee. She died in 1889. P.W.D.

STRYKER, SAMUEL STANHOPE—*Vestry 1828-1871*. Was born November 2, 1797, in Princeton. At an early age he went to Philadelphia to engage in mercantile business. In 1820 he removed to Trenton and continued in the same pursuit. He was one of the organizers of the Peoples Fire Insurance Company, and was president until his death. He died February 9, 1875. He held a high position in the confidence and esteem of the community. He was for forty-three years a member of the vestry of St. Michael's Church. He married Mary, a daughter of John Scudder. Samuel S. Stryker was a brother of Thomas J. Stryker and a nephew was William S. Stryker, the historian. His son Samuel S. Stryker, M.D., is a well-known physician of Philadelphia.

TYRRELL, JOSEPH—*Warden 1847-1848; Vestry 1847-1848*. Born in England; a director of the Mechanics National Bank in 1837; died at Trenton, December 4, 1864, aged eighty-nine years.

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WALL, GARRET DORSET—*Vestry 1817-1824*. Born in Middletown, Monmouth County, New Jersey, March 10, 1783, died in Burlington, New Jersey, November 22, 1850; son of James Wall and Ann Dorset, and grandson of Garret and Catherine (Carr) Wall; married October 24, 1740, Maria, daughter of Colonel Jonathan Rhea, read law in Trenton with David Brearley, at one time chief justice Supreme Court of New Jersey. Admitted to Hunterdon County Bar 1804; and made counsellor 1807. At one time during War of 1812, he commanded a volunteer Company raised in Trenton, at Sandy Hook. Clerk of the State Supreme Court 1812-1817 (succeeded his father-in-law Colonel Rhea). Quartermaster general 1815-1837; member assembly 1827; governor 1827, but declined, preferring to accept the position of United States district attorney; United States senator 1835-1841. Judge Court of Errors and Appeals 1849-1850.

A grandson was Garret D. W. Vroom.

P.W.D.

WESTCOTT, JAMES D.—Was born in Bridgton, Cumberland Co., New Jersey, January 25, 1775. He held many offices of public trust and for the last ten years of his life was secretary of state of New Jersey. He married Ann Hains of Cedarville Cumberland Co. He died March 2, 1841 and his wife October 19, 1849. Their graves are in St. Michael's churchyard.

WOOD, JOSEPH—*Vestry 1837-1843*. Was born at Woodstown, New Jersey whence he removed to Trenton. He was a director of the Mechanics National Bank, Recorder of Trenton 1853-1856, and Mayor of the City 1856-1859. His daughter, Permelia, married Edward Stokes, a well-known Trenton photographer. They lived in "Woodlawn" on South Warren Street in the historic mansion built by Colonel William Trent, originally known as Bloomsbury Court. This is the oldest house in Trenton, and has been occupied in turn by many distinguished persons. Lafayette was entertained there during his visit to Trenton. During the Revolutionary War, Doctor Bryant occupied it. Mr. Wood died in Trenton May 8, 1860, and was buried in St. Michael's graveyard.

WOODRUFF, GEORGE—*Warden 1827-1835; Vestry 1813-1815; 1820-1822; 1824-1825; 1827-1835*. Was the son of Elias Woodruff, and Mary Joline, and a brother of Aaron Dickinson Woodruff, attorney-general of New Jersey, who held that position for a period of twenty-four years, until his death in 1817. George Woodruff was born at Elizabethtown, New Jersey, March 16, 1765. After his graduation from Princeton College he was admitted to the bar in 1788. He then removed to the state of Georgia, and was subsequently appointed by President John Adams, United States District Attorney. He returned to New Jersey and took up his residence near Trenton, withdrawing from the active work of his profession.

He married Jean Houston, daughter of Sir George and Lady Houston of the old Scotch nobility. He was the original owner of "Woodlands," now the property of the Trenton Country Club. A son, Patrick Houston Woodruff was a vestryman 1873-1886.

When he died in 1846, at the age of eighty-two years, he was said to be the oldest member of the New Jersey Bar.

CHAPTER XXV

THE RECTORATE OF THE REVEREND

SAMUEL CLEMENTS

1855-1858

AT the same meeting that the vestry accepted the resignation of the Rev. Mr. Starr, March 23, 1855, they proceeded to elect his successor:

Whereupon the Rev. Samuel Clements was duly chosen Rector of St. Michaels.

AN OLD SORE REOPENED

The election of the Rev. Samuel Clements following immediately upon the resignation of the Rev. Mr. Starr, seems to have stirred up the old grievance connected with the contested election of 1852, and we find it cropping out again in the newspapers on what was probably regarded as a fresh provocation in the minds of certain dissentients.

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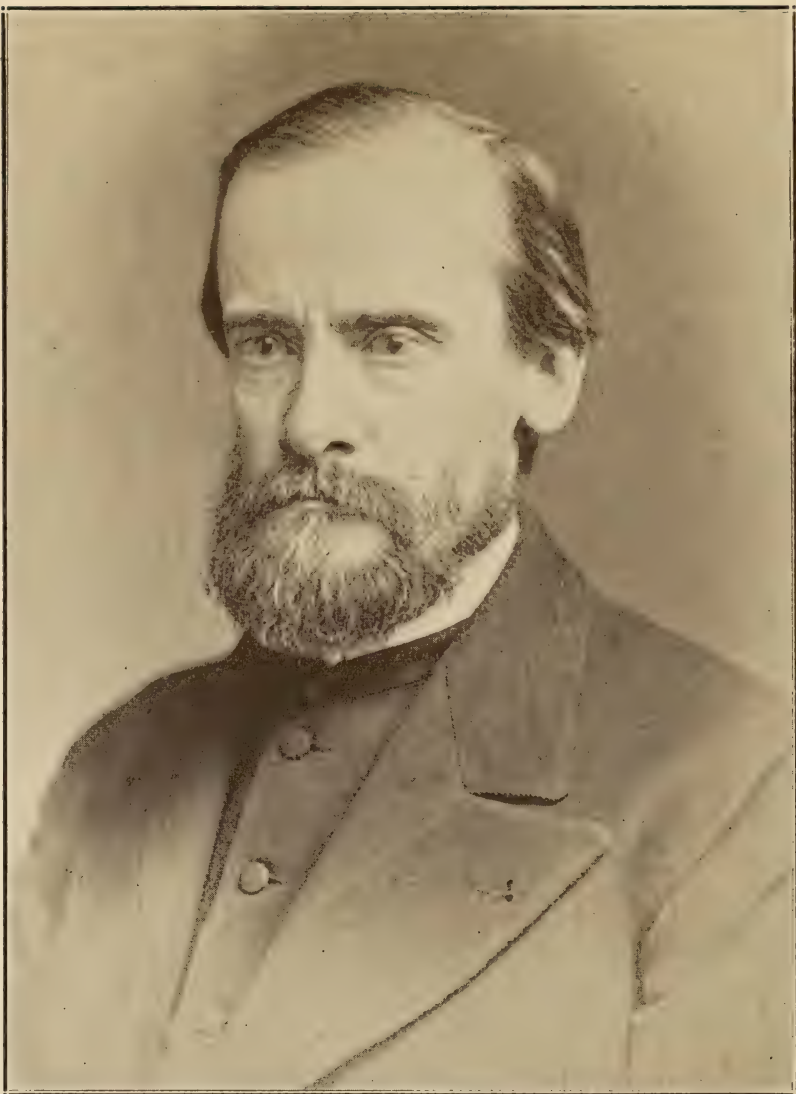
Thursday April 5, 1855

It was mentioned in this paper a day or two since that the vestry of St. Michael's Episcopal Church of this City, had extended a call to the Rev. Mr. Clements of Washington, and that the call had been accepted. We understand that much dissatisfaction exists among a portion of the Congregation of St. Michael's, at this action of the vestry and that the manner in which the call was made has excited a good deal of unpleasant feeling on the subject.

The above reads like the production of "an aggrieved parishioner," and not at all like the comment of a newspaper writer intent only on affording his readers unbiased information on a matter of public interest.

BISHOP DOANE VISITS THE PARISH

If, as has been surmised, opposition to Bishop Doane, was at the root of the trouble, and such opposition was resented in cer-



THE REVEREND SAMUEL CLEMENTS

1825-1888

RECTOR 1855-1858

RECTORATE OF SAMUEL CLEMENTS

tain quarters, we have the knowledge that the bishop visited the parish about this time, possibly with a view to informing himself as to the situation.

State Gazette

Saturday, April 21, 1855

Bishop Doane visited St. Michael's Church in this City, yesterday morning. He preached a discourse from the text "Lord if thou wilt, thou canst make me clean."—The Holy Communion was also administered. In the afternoon he visited St. Paul's Church and preached.

A SHORT RECTORSHIP

The Rev. Samuel Clements entered upon his duties as rector of St. Michael's Church on May 15, 1855. He remained only three years, and then resigned his office "by reason of impaired health." Perhaps the internal condition of the parish, owing to disagreements among members of the congregation previously alluded to, had something to do with the rector's "impaired health."

THE RESIGNATION OF THE REV. SAMUEL CLEMENTS

His letter of resignation was read at a meeting of the vestry held Thursday, June 17, 1858. His resignation was accepted, and at the same meeting his successor was chosen.

SKETCH OF THE REV. SAMUEL CLEMENTS

Samuel Clements was born in Philadelphia, October 20, 1825. While quite young he entered a wholesale mercantile house in that city, but soon turned his attention to study. He was graduated from the University of Pennsylvania in 1848, and later from the Virginia Theological Seminary. He was made deacon in 1851, and priest 1852. His first charge was in Washington, Pennsylvania. In 1855 he accepted the rectorship of St. Michael's Church, Trenton, where he remained only three years. Subsequently he held rectorships at Passaic, New Jersey; Gambier, Ohio; and Clifton, near Cincinnati, Ohio. He removed to Philadelphia in 1870, and took charge of a missionary training school. He afterwards established The Cheltenham Academy, a military school for boys, which proved a great success. The degree of D.D. was conferred upon him by Kenyon College in 1878. He died December 9, 1888.

The Cheltenham Academy closed its doors in 1910.

CHAPTER XXVI
THE RECTORATE OF
THE REVEREND RICHARD BACHE DUANE
1858-1862

TRINITY PARISH ORGANIZED 1858

THE Rev. Richard B. Duane of Honesdale, Pennsylvania, was chosen rector at the same meeting that the resignation of the Rev. Samuel Clements was accepted.

June 17, 1856.

Rev. Mr. Duane was requested to accept the Rectorship and the wardens directed to communicate the same to him.

This would seem to be rather sudden action, and as we shall see later had an unfortunate sequel.

The new rector entered upon his duties in September of the same year. The following notice relative to the beginning of Mr. Duane's rectorate appeared in the *State Gazette* of current issue.

State Gazette

Monday, September 13, 1858

Rev. Mr. Duane commenced his rectorship of St. Michael's yesterday. The services were largely attended, both morning and evening. . . . We are pleased to observe Rev. Mr. Clements among the congregation last evening.

RECTOR'S REPORT FOR 1859

The Report of the rector for the following year, 1859, gives some interesting figures:

Number of families 130 and 57 individuals; Total number of individuals 580, present number of communicants 152, Sunday School teachers 30, scholars 250. Parish and Sunday School library 500 volumes.

The general state of the Parish is reported as "in most respects encouraging" with increased revenues and communi-



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1823-1875

RECTOR 1858-1862

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cants and Sunday School scholars. The income of the Church has more than recovered from the diminution occasioned by the formation of Trinity Parish.

THE WOUND STILL BLEEDING

WITHDRAWAL OF PARISHIONERS—FORMATION OF TRINITY CHURCH

Mr. Duane's election and acceptance immediately precipitated a withdrawal of some score of the leading parishioners on the ostensible grounds that the vestry had elected Mr. Duane without consultation with the body of the parishioners, but the actual reasons for the withdrawal are probably to be found in the old disagreement, having its basis in the opposition to Bishop Doane on the part of some leading members of St. Michael's Church.

Taking advantage of the opportunity of the coming of the new rector, these pro-Doane parishioners proceeded to organize another parish to which the name "Trinity Church" was given.

The following account of the rupture is taken from Schuyler, *Historical Sketch of Trinity Church* 1910 (p. 5):

The immediate occasion of the separation from St. Michael's Church, and the founding of a new Parish, was a dissatisfaction with a certain action of the Vestry of that Church on the part of some of the parishioners, but doubtless there were other reasons behind the ostensible one, which seems in itself trivial. Without seeking to probe the matter too closely or attempting to enter into the ecclesiastical controversies of that distant time, it may be said that the current of feeling against the shabby treatment accorded to Bishop Doane by some of the low Churchmen of that period ran high, and probably led to a desire on the part of his sympathizers in the old Parish to disassociate themselves from the actions of the party opposed to the Bishop. However that may have been (and such is the recollection of those who remember those days), a new Parish was formed out of the old and launched into existence, known as Trinity Church. The first entry in the Minute Book gives the ostensible occasion of the break, and says nothing of any other motive.

The founding of Trinity Church had its initiative in a protest of certain parishioners of St. Michael's Church against the action of the Vestry in accepting the resignation of the Rector,

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the Rev. Samuel Clements, and the extension of a call immediately at the same meeting to the Rev. Richard B. Duane, of Honesdale, Pa., without consultation with the parishioners. The letter of protest to the Vestry bears the date June 23, 1859, and was signed by the following male members of the congregation: Philemon Dickinson, I. Wood, W. M. Babbitt, M. Beasley, A. S. Livingston, W. Pearson, Isaac L. Pearson, C. H. Higginson, James B. Coleman, W. A. Benjamin, Thomas Green, G. A. Perdicaris, John L. Taylor, Randall Rickey, Charles P. Smith, W. F. Pitcher, Willett Dunn, J. Rousseau, W. W. Norcross, Edward D. Weld, Thomas P. Johnson, T. Cadwalader, J. R. Freese, W. E. Hunt, Samuel Simons, Thomas Booth, Thomas I. Carson, John Rickey, J. M. Clark, Allison E. Perrine. The letter was sent to the Senior Warden, Dr. J. M. Davis, with the request "that it be laid before the Vestry at the earliest possible moment."

The remonstrants acknowledged "the legal right of the Vestry to extend the call," but urged "that in so important a matter some general consultation with the Congregation should be had." They disclaimed "any intention of disrespect to the clergyman who had been called," but submitted "that the action of the Vestry was hasty and calculated to disturb the harmony of the Church, at variance with the usage in this Diocese, and lacking in the Christian courtesy which the parishioners had a right to expect at the hands of the Vestry."

The Vestry sent a reply disclaiming "any intention of showing discourtesy," and justified their action in extending the call to Mr. Duane, having satisfied themselves of his fitness for the position.

A copy of the protest, which had been forwarded by the remonstrants to the Rev. Mr. Duane, drew a reply from him requesting answers to a number of specific questions as to the official and ecclesiastical status of those who had signed the document. The committee replied through Mr. A. S. Livingston, that "only four of those who signed the paper were communicants, but that most represented communicants through their wives and daughters, that they attended regularly upon the services of the Church, contributed nearly one-half of the yearly income, and in a social point of view represented some of the best families in the congregation." The further statement was made that "the Vestry of St. Michael's consisted of seven gentlemen of whom only four were communicants, one

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of whom dissented from the action of the majority." The belief was expressed that the majority of the 105 pew holders disapproved of the action of the Vestry, but that the protest for lack of time had been presented only to 32, of whom 29 signed it. The statement was made that "the remonstrants had no objection to Mr. Duane, but that their action was simply a protest against the methods adopted by the Vestry."

Mr. Duane replied, thanking the writer for the information furnished and stating his intention, nevertheless, of accepting the call and taking charge of the Parish in the following September.

Mr. Duane's decision evidently brought matters to a climax, for on October 8, 1858, a meeting was held attended by a number of the protestators. Mr. Philemon Dickinson was appointed chairman and Mr. Charles H. Higginson, clerk of the meeting. A letter signed by seventeen pewholders of St. Michael's Church, signifying their withdrawal from that Parish and sent to the Wardens and Vestry on September 23, was read. The canonical consent of the Rector of St. Michael's Church to the formation of a new Parish, and also that of the Bishop, the Rt. Rev. George W. Doane, having been received, it was resolved on motion "that this meeting do now proceed to organize (by the choice of two Wardens and ten Vestrymen) a Protestant Episcopal Church to be attached to the Diocese of New Jersey, and to be designated as Trinity Church, Trenton, New Jersey." In accordance with this action the following were chosen: Wardens, Wesley P. Hunt and Alfred S. Livingston. Vestrymen, Thomas Cadwalader, Philemon Dickinson, Mercer Beasley, Charles H. Higginson, Edward D. Weld, William M. Babbitt, William W. Norcross, William E. Hunt, Samuel Simons and William Howell. Charles H. Higginson was elected secretary.

PARISH PROGRESS

The minutes of the vestry during the four years of the Rev. Mr. Duane's rectorship, disclose the general progress of the parish.

THE RE-BUILDING OF THE PERRY STREET SCHOOL-HOUSE

The sunday school building on Perry Street, which was much out of repair, called for something to be done, and it was deter-

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mined to rebuild it. The following is a newspaper account of what was accomplished:

State Gazette

Saturday, October 8, 1859

The Congregation of St. Michael's P. E. Church are about to commence the erection of a Chapel for the use of the Sunday schools of the Parish and for other purposes. It will be erected on the lot now occupied by their Sunday school building in Perry Street near Green. The building will be of brick two stories high, the dimensions 31 by 60. The first floor will contain three rooms; for the infant school, the colored Sunday school, and a Bible class. The second floor will consist of one large room for the main Sunday school. The dilapidated condition of the present building and the increase of the Sunday schools demand the improvement.

At a meeting of the vestry held on May 3, 1860, house of O. W. Blackfan, it was reported that:

The property of the Church consists of one Church and one Chapel. The Building Committee of the Chapel report that \$2302. has been received from all sources and the treasurer of the same has paid the same to David S. Anderson as per contract for building the same.

A GIFT FOR SUNDAY SCHOOL PURPOSES

Under date of May 17, 1860, the announcement was made of a gift to St. Michael's Church for Sunday School purposes:

Certification that Joseph Tyrrell gave a donation to St. Michael's Church to invest in good security and the interest thereon to be applied in perpetuity to the purchase of Books and tracts for the use of the Sabbath Schools of said Church and for no other purpose whatsoever.

THE RESIGNATION OF THE REV. RICHARD B. DUANE

On August 4, 1862, the Rev. Mr. Duane resigned his rectorship in a letter sent to the vestry:

August 7, 1862.

Letter from the Rector, Richard B. Duane, dated Trenton August 4, 1862, saying that he had accepted a Call to become

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Assistant minister & Associate Rector of St. John's Church, Providence, R.I., and therefore tendered his resignation to become effective on 1st of October, certainly.

November 29, 1862.

Messrs Dill, McIlvaine & Howe appointed a committee to ascertain cost of printing the sermon closing the Rectorship of Rev. R. B. Duane, and which was adopted to publish.

SKETCH OF THE REV. RICHARD BACHE DUANE

Born in Philadelphia, October 12, 1823, died Bergen Point, New Jersey, December 12, 1875. Son of William John Duane, secretary of the United States treasury; married October 1, 1850, Margaret Anne, daughter of Sampson Town of Philadelphia; graduated University of Pennsylvania 1841; Theological Seminary, Alexandria, Virginia, 1850; ordained deacon July 21, 1850; priest, May 1851; rector Grace Church, Honesdale, 1850; St. Michael's, Trenton, 1858-1862; St. John's, Providence 1860-1870; Church of the Messiah, Brooklyn, 1870-1873; Secretary of Board of Foreign and Domestic Missions 1873-1875. Dr. Duane's mother was a daughter of Richard Bache, by his wife, Sarah, daughter of Benjamin Franklin.

CHAPTER XXVII

THE THIRD BISHOP OF NEW JERSEY

THE RIGHT REVEREND WILLIAM HENRY ODENHEIMER

1859-1875

BISHOP DOANE'S successor was chosen at the annual meeting of the convention, held in St. Mary's Church, Burlington, on Wednesday, May 25, 1859. A memorial service for the late bishop was held on the evening of that day, and on the day following, balloting was begun for the election of a bishop. The names of nine clergymen were before the convention, and it was only on the thirteenth ballot that a decision was arrived at. This was on Friday noon. The Rev. William Henry Odenheimer, D.D., rector of St. Peter's Church, Philadelphia, was declared elected, having received the votes of thirty-six clerical, and fifty-six lay, members. The delegates from St. Michael's Church who participated in the election were William Halsted, John R. Dill and Samuel S. Stryker. The bishop-elect was consecrated during the sessions of the General Convention at Richmond, Virginia, October 13, 1859.

SKETCH OF DR. ODENHEIMER

William Henry Odenheimer, son of John W. Odenheimer, was born in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, August 17, 1817; graduated at the University of Pennsylvania (having the valedictory oration) July 30, 1835; also at the General Theological Seminary, New York, June 29, 1838; was ordained deacon in St. Paul's Church, Philadelphia, September 2, 1838, by Bishop H. U. Onderdonk; became Assistant to the Rev. Dr. De Lancey of St. Peter's Church, Philadelphia, January 10, 1839, and succeeded to the rectorate of the parish upon the consecration of Dr. DeLancey to the episcopate of Western New York; ordained priest in St. Peter's Church, Philadelphia, October 3, 1841, by Bishop H. U. Onderdonk; received the honorary degree of D.D. from the University of Pennsylvania, July 3, 1856. (Hills, *Hist. Ch. in Burlington*, p. 558.)



THE RIGHT REVEREND WILLIAM HENRY ODENHEIMER, D.D.

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1859-1875

THE THIRD BISHOP

Bishop Odenheimer remained bishop of New Jersey up to 1875, when he chose, in the division of the diocese, for his See, the northern portion, which had been set apart as a second diocese under the name "Diocese of Newark," the southern portion retaining the old title, "Diocese of New Jersey."

Bishop Odenheimer only survived his occupancy of the new See of Newark, for four years. He entered into rest at "Riverside," Burlington, N.J., August 14, 1879, and his remains lie in the historic churchyard of St. Mary's in that town.

CHAPTER XXVIII

THE RECTORATE OF THE REVEREND EDWARD WEBSTER APPLETON

1862-1865

THE CHURCH IMPROVED AND DECORATED

September 22, 1862

REV. E. W. APPLETON, on motion of Mr. Stryker elected Rector.

November 13, 1862.

The secretary, Mr. O. W. Blackfan read a letter received from Rev. E. W. Appleton, dated 26 Hereford Road, North Westborne Grove, London, England, October 10, 1862, announcing the receipt of his letter of September 22, 1862, tendering him the Rectorship of St. Michael's which he accepts. Says that he had intended spending 8 or 9 months longer in Europe, and had arranged to go to Paris in a few days, but would now leave "tomorrow" for the United States with intentions of entering upon the Rectorship of St. Michael's on 1st of November.

State Gazette

Tuesday, September 30, 1862

St. Michael's Church. The Congregation of St. Michael's Church have called the Rev. Mr. Appleton of Lancaster, Pa., to the pulpit rendered vacant by the resignation of Rev. Mr. Duane. Mr. Appleton is at present in Europe, where he has been travelling for his health. His return is expected in the course of a few weeks. Mr. Duane will leave the congregation to take possession of his new charge at Providence, R.I., about the 8th of October.

THE REV. MR. APPLETON INSTITUTED

February 5, 1863.

The Bishop Instituted Rev. Mr. Appleton to Rectorship on Monday morning, December 22, 1862.



THE REVEREND EDWARD WEBSTER APPLETON, D.D.

1834-1901

RECTOR 1862-1865

FROM A GROUP PHOTOGRAPH

COURTESY OF CHARLES D. BARNEY, ESQ., ELKINS PARK, PA.,

RECTORATE OF WEBSTER APPLETON

REPAIRS AND RENOVATIONS

Extensive repairs and renovations to the church edifice were undertaken and completed during the year 1862.

State Gazette

Saturday, May 10, 1862

St. Michael's Church being temporarily closed for the purpose of making repairs the Congregation will meet for worship on Sunday at the usual hours of service at St. Michael's Chapel in (No. 25) Perry Street.

AN ACCOUNT OF THE IMPROVEMENTS

State Gazette

Friday, June 20, 1862 (3-1)

St. Michael's Church, in Warren Street, has been greatly improved in appearance recently. The old square pews have been widened, the backs lowered several inches, the doors removed, and a scroll placed on the sides, instead of the straight piece which formerly extended the whole length of the aisles. This will make the seats more comfortable, and improve their appearance, but the greatest change is made in the decorations. The walls and ceiling have been decorated in fresco by architectural designs, representing a groined ceiling. The work, which is by J. Stanley D'Orsay, of New York, is so admirably done, that a person who saw the interior of the church for the first time, could scarcely be made to believe that the columns, arches, ribs &c., were not in plaster in relief, or that they were really paintings on a flat surface. The painting differs from fresco, being done on a dry wall, but from the particular nature of the materials used it is indestructible by anything short of the destruction of the walls itself.

THE HOPEWELL BURIAL GROUND

Monday, April 6, 1863.

The Rector & Mr McIlvaine a committee to inquire into the state of the "Country graveyard belonging to St. Michael's Church" and ascertain what expense will be required to repair the walls of its inclosure.

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LEAVE OF ABSENCE GRANTED THE RECTOR

July 1, 1863.

Two months leave granted the Rector who is in bad health. The vestry concurred in the wish that C. N. Chevrier act as his assistant during his absence.

TESTIMONIALS—CHARLES N. CHEVRIER—WILLIAM B. BODINE

Annual meeting—Easter Monday 1864.

The Rector presented papers of Testimonials of Charles N. Chevrier for Priest's Orders and Wm. B. Bodine for Deacon's Orders, which were ordered to be signed by the vestry.

The Rev. William B. Bodine above referred to, became one of the most distinguished clergymen of his day. He was a brother of Dr. Joseph L. Bodine, a vestryman of St. Michael's Church.

SKETCH OF THE REV. WILLIAM B. BODINE

The Rev. Mr. Bodine was born in Trenton in 1840; and died at Mount Pocono, September 27, 1907. He was graduated from Princeton and from Kenyon College, Gambier, Ohio; ordained deacon in 1864, and priested the following year. His first charge was an assistantship at Emmanuel Church, Baltimore, Maryland. He was rector of Christ Church, Brooklyn, New York, from 1869 to 1871, when he went to Gambier as rector of the Church of the Holy Spirit. From 1876 to 1891, he was president of Kenyon College. Subsequently for a period he was a general missionary under the Board of Mission, and while engaged in this work was chosen rector of St. James' Church, Elberon, New Jersey, where he continued to officiate during the summers up to the time of his death. In 1893 he became rector of the large and important Church of the Saviour, Philadelphia, holding the position until his death. The church building having been destroyed by fire in 1902, under his efforts a new and more beautiful building was erected in 1906. He was a preacher of rare gifts and a writer of distinction. One of his best-known works was a volume, *Some Hymns and Hymn-Writers*, the last proofs of which were sent to him the very day of his death.

SKETCH OF THE REV. CHARLES N. CHEVRIER

The Rev. Charles N. Chevrier served for a short period as an assistant in St. Michael's Church. He was the son of Louis and

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Jane B. Chevrier, and was born in Trenton, June 22, 1840. He was for a time at Perkiomen, Pennsylvania, and was rector of Trinity Church, Swedesboro, New Jersey, from 1868 up to the time of his death, November 13, 1872. He married Anna Elizabeth Scott, who died in 1921. Two of their sons, Charles Scott and Robert Scudder, are now living in Trenton, and both are connected with the United States District Court.

THOMAS LOGAN MURPHY

July 27, 1865, house of O. W. Blackfan, Sec.

The Rector presented the papers recommending Thomas Logan Murphy for Deacon's Orders signed by the vestry.

MOURNING FOR THE DEATH OF PRESIDENT LINCOLN

August 3, 1865.

A bill of \$25 was made for dressing the Church in mourning on the occasion of the assassination of President Lincoln.

RESIGNATION OF THE REV. E. W. APPLETON

The rector seems not to have recovered his health as the result of his leave of absence granted him, in 1863, and two years later presented his resignation.

November 29, 1865.

The Rector advised the vestry of the necessity of his abstaining from all labor for a time, by the advice of his physicians, and making a trip to Europe for the benefit of his health, and therefore proposed an absence from the Church for one year—he furnishing a suitable supply or tendering his resignation.

THE RESIGNATION ACCEPTED

The congregation evidently desired that the rector retain his office, and “petitioned the vestry to grant the rector leave of absence for the restoration of his health.” This did not meet with favor by the vestry, and after a conference with the rector his resignation was accepted, December 5, 1865, and his salary paid up to January 1, 1866.

The following newspaper article gives some particulars of the matter:

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State Gazette

Saturday, December 9, 1865 (3-4)

After the sermon at St. Michael's Episcopal Church, in this city, on Thanksgiving day, the congregation presented their pastor, Rev. E. W. Appleton, with a purse containing one thousand dollars. His health has been poor for some time past, but no alarm had been felt therefrom until last week, when upon an examination of his lungs by an eminent physician of Philadelphia, they were pronounced so diseased that nothing less than travel and change of climate could cure. He at once determined to resign his pastorate and go to Palestine, and although his congregation almost unanimously petitioned the vestry not to accept his resignation, but give him a leave of absence instead, they were finally induced to yield to what seemed a necessity, and accept his resignation.

Some months ago it had been arranged to make up a purse as a Christmas present, to be presented on Christmas-eve, but when the congregation learned he was so soon to leave them, they changed the time to immediate action. . . .

The presentation took place immediately after the services on Thursday morning. (Presentation made on behalf of the congregation by F. R. Wilkinson.)

In the evening service, Bishop (Rt. Rev. Wm. H.) Odenheimer was present to administer the rite of confirmation to some fifteen persons. . . . Mr. Appleton leaves for Europe, and from thence to Palestine, on the 13th inst.

State Gazette

Wednesday, December 13, 1865 (3-2)

Rev. E. W. Appleton, late Rector of St. Michael's Church, will sail for Europe—on his way to Palestine—today. Several of his parishioners will visit New York to take leave of their pastor, and enjoy his society up to the moment of his departure from our shores. . . .

SKETCH OF THE REV. EDWARD WEBSTER APPLETON

Edward Webster Appleton was born in Bedford Springs, Pennsylvania, March 30, 1834. He attended the University of Pennsylvania and Rutgers College, New Brunswick, New Jersey, from which he received his B.A. degree in 1852, and his M.A. in 1855. A degree of Doctor of Divinity was conferred upon him in 1873.

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He prepared for the ministry at the Virginia Theological Seminary. He received deacon's orders from Bishop Alonzo Potter in 1857, and priest's orders from Bishop Hopkins in 1858. He was assistant in St. James Church, Lancaster, Pennsylvania, 1859-1861, and rector of St. Michael's Church, Trenton, New Jersey, 1861-1865. Subsequently he became, in 1867, rector of St. Paul's Church, Cheltenham, Pennsylvania, now St. Paul's, Elkins Park. He served this parish until October 1899 when he became rector-emeritus. He died April 15, 1901, and was buried in North Laurel Hill Cemetery, Philadelphia.

Dr. Appleton's standing in the Church in Pennsylvania is indicated by the many important official positions which he occupied. He was president of the Southeast Convocation, and in 1885 was chosen dean of the Norristown Convocation. He was a member of the Executive Committee of the trustees of the diocese, a member of the American Association for the Advance of Science, of the Executive Committee of the American Church Mission, was the oldest vice president of the Pennsylvania Bible Society, and was also a chaplain of the Order of St. George.

CHAPTER XXIX

THE RECTORATE OF THE REVEREND CHRISTOPHER WILKINSON KNAUFF

1866-1873

CHURCH REBUILT

A FULL-GROWN CHURCH "ROW"

THE Rev. Christopher W. Knauff was chosen rector, to succeed the Rev. Mr. Appleton, within one year following the latter's resignation. In the meanwhile the services were conducted by temporary "supplies."

November 1, 1866, house of J. M. Davis.

Letter from Rev. C. W. Knauff dated Lock Haven, Pa., October 13, 1866, accepting the Rectorship to commence the 3d Sunday in November.

November 29, 1866, house of J. M. Davis.

The Bishop requested to Institute Rev. C. W. Knauff.

A PERIOD OF EXTENSION

St. Michael's Church was now to enter upon a career of extension, as is evidenced by the employment of a parish missionary, the purchase of a new organ, and the rebuilding of the church edifice. The parish was declared to be (1866) free of debt, and the way was therefore open for the enjoyment of these advantages.

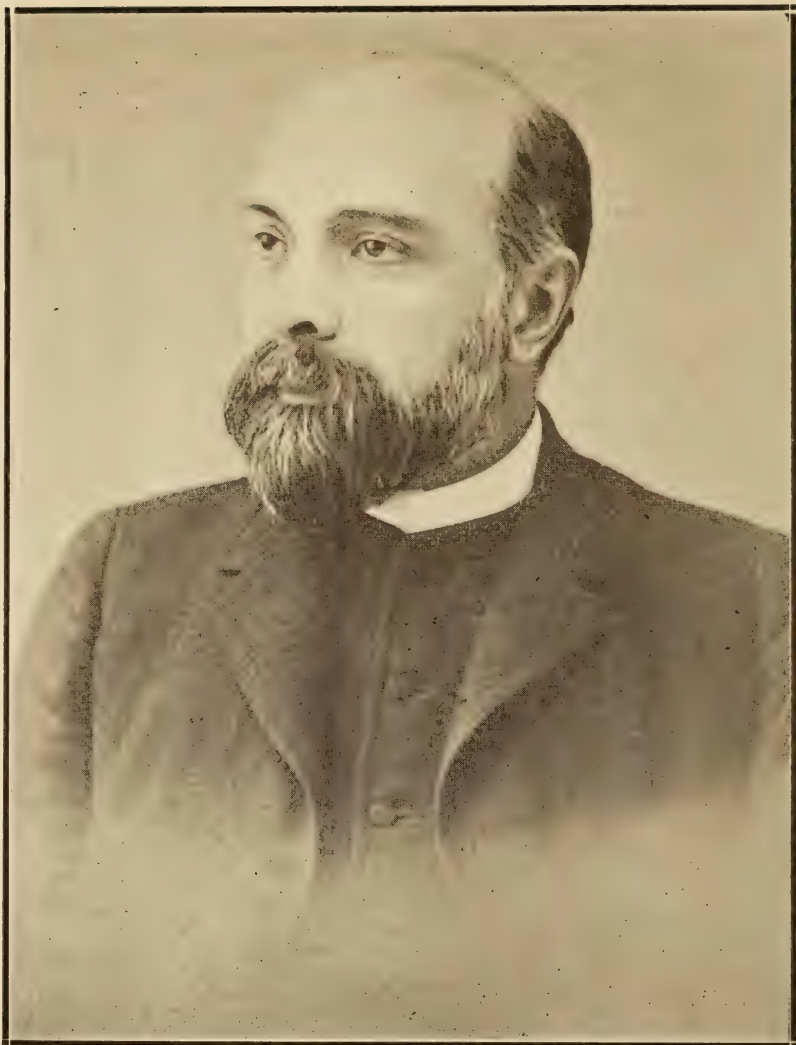
A NEW ORGAN

April 20, 1866.

Resolved that the choir committee be authorized to purchase a new organ not costing over \$2,800.

May 3, 1866.

The choir committee had contracted to purchase a new organ from John Roberts of Frankford, Pa., for \$2250.



THE REVEREND CHRISTOPHER WILKINSCN KNAUFF

DIED 1911

RECTOR 1866-1873

COURTESY OF THE VENERABLE GRANT KNAUFF

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THE APPOINTMENT OF A PARISH MISSIONARY

February 6, 1868.

A call was extended to the Rev. John C. Brown to become Parish missionary at a salary of \$800.

The call was declined, and the position remained unfilled for some time.

PLANS FOR ENLARGEMENT OF THE CHURCH

In 1870, the plans for the enlargement of the church, and other extensive improvements, were submitted and adopted.

Meeting of vestry, June 3, 1870.

The Committee on Church Repairs reported that the Church could be refitted in its present shape, without recess Chancel for \$2500 and with recess Chancel for \$3500. The Rector proposed a plan to enlarge Church building by adding a transept making it in shape of an L, which would cost about \$12,000 for which improvement he had the promise of over \$9,000. Messrs. Knauff, Wilkinson, Howe and DeCou appointed on above proposition to ascertain if objection will be made to covering graves by the addition.

As the following minutes are exclusively concerned with the matter of the enlargement and renovation of the church, or matters kindred thereto, they are herewith transcribed in chronological order, without comment.

THE REBUILDING OF THE CHURCH

The Committee on the Rector's proposition reported fewer graves in the way of the improvement than expected.

Mr. Wilkinson offered the following:

Whereas the Congregation have subscribed a considerable sum for repairing the Church and of altering by the addition of a Transept and Recess Chancel according to the plan submitted by the Rector, Therefore—

RESOLVED, That the Vestry carry out the wishes of the Congregation as expressed, and appoint a Committee of three to employ an architect and obtain proposals for said alterations.

The Rector, Wilkinson & Davis appointed the Committee.

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Meeting of Vestry, June 27, 1870.

Building Committee reported they had employed Mr. Pearson as Architect at \$250.

Proposition from Green & Kafer to do the work	\$9300.
“ “ Furman & Kite “ “ “ “	8769.

That the extras would amount to \$5000.

The Rector, Wardens & Vestry of Trinity Church offered the congregation of St. Michael's the use of their Church during the repairs.

Meeting of Vestry, June 29, 1870, at Chapel.

Messrs, J. M. Davis, F. R. Wilkinson, O. W. Blackfan & Wm. R. McIlvaine appointed Building Committee to carry forward the enlargement of the Church.

The Rector was directed to communicate with Trinity Church and inform them that we would use the Chapel during the alterations of the Church.

Meeting of the Vestry, November 3, 1870, office Dr. Davis.

RESOLVED, That in re-pewing the Church no square pews should be made.

Meeting of Vestry, January 5, 1871, office Dr. J. M. Davis.

The Secretary stated the meeting had been called by the Senior Warden, Dr. J. M. Davis, because of the dissatisfaction produced by the Resolution of the Vestry not to build square pews. On motion of Dr. Davis, the former resolution was rescinded.

Meeting of Vestry, February 2, 1871, office Dr. J. M. Davis.

The assessed Pew rates, in detail, the receipts of which totaling \$4,747.

Meeting of Vestry, April 8, 1871, house of Dr. Davis.

Total receipts for year ending Easter Monday, April 10, 1871, \$3,338.14; Expenditures, \$3,306.98.

Meeting of Vestry, August 3, 1871, office Dr. J. M. Davis.

The Building Committee, appointed June 29, 1870, on Church alterations reported:

Church completed on plans submitted by Mr. G. T. Pearson and adopted by the Vestry. Furman & Kite the contractors, at \$9,212.00. Much extra work in tearing out the old Church was experienced, which, with the improvements and renovation, cost \$5,647.54; Amount of money collected & spent by the Rector that did not come into the hands of the Committee, was

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\$2,875.35, making the total extras \$8,522.89, and the total cost of the whole \$17,734.89. Received from subscription, \$10,185.99; from the Ladies Society, \$2,000.

Mrs. Mary Westcott Grant, sent a communication to the Rector, Wardens & Vestry of St. Michael's Church, dated Trenton, July 25, 1871, expressing a desire of placing a Memorial Window in the present Church building, near her pew, upon the following conditions:

1st. In the event of a new Church building to be erected on the present or other site, the memorial window to be replaced.

2d. In event of a division in said Church in future, she or her heirs reserved the right to remove the memorial.

3d. That this communication and the answer of the Vestry be entered upon the minutes. (This was accepted by the Vestry on November 2, 1871.)

Meeting of Vestry, November 2, 1871, office Dr. Davis.

The following resolution by Dr. Davis adopted:

Whereas in enlarging and rebuilding the Church it became expedient to occupy grounds heretofore appropriated to members for burial purposes;

Whereas, in carrying out this work it became necessary to take possession of the graves of Charles Higbee and Charlotte his wife; Therefore,

RESOLVED, That the remains of the deceased were carefully taken up, and interred in a grave and covered with their tombstones under the Chancel of said Church, and that privilege was granted to their surviving daughters, Mrs. Theodosia Eberle, Mrs. Anne Goldsmith, Mrs. Charlotte Haines and Mrs. Caroline Coursen, to erect a tablet upon the Chancel wall as a memorial of their departed parents,

RESOLVED, That this tablet shall not be removed from the wall of the Chancel without the consent of the Vestry and of the ladies who placed it there.

The extensive improvements and renovations thus undertaken, aroused much general interest in the community, and found their reflection in the newspapers of the day.

State Gazette

Tuesday, July 19, 1870 (3-2)

St. Michael's Church. The following description of the new building for St. Michael's Church is handed us by the architect, Mr. George T. Pearson of Philadelphia.

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The present building will be extended twelve feet in length, and a transept will be added on the north side 25 by 32 feet, making about 160 additional sittings to the present capacity. An apsidal chancel of 11 by 22 feet will also be added to the length of the church.

The general design of the building will be the decorated Gothic of the fourteenth century with enough admixture of early English to keep the expense within limits. The ceiling will be of wood 27 feet high, with ribs and cornice, and large stucco ribs between each window, with pendant corbels and ornamentation.

The chancel will have three finely stained windows, and all its furniture will be of walnut, and unlike anything in the city. It is intended eventually to have the walls of the chancel done in polychromatic decoration. The only galleries in the church will be an octagon one for the choir, on the Warren-street end, and one in the transept for the Sunday Schools.

The front of the building will remain as at present, although a brown stone one will be put on at a future time. The exterior of the transept will be of Trenton brown stone, with a Gothic stone entrance porch. It is intended that the general character of the interior shall be equal to anything in the state for the amount of money expended, which will be about \$13,000. The building will be ready for occupancy about Christmas this year.

True American

Wednesday, August 10, 1870 (3-1)

The alteration and improvements of St. Michael's Church are progressing slowly. It is a great job that has been undertaken, as much of the building is of an entirely new structure. The old grave yard is strewn with the debris from the portion of the building torn down, and has now rather a desolate appearance.

State Gazette

Saturday, February 18, 1871 (3-2)

St. Michael's Church. This church, which during the last eight months has been closed, will open for divine service to-morrow, Quinquagesima Sunday.

The whole building, with the exception of the front on Warren-street, has been entirely rebuilt from designs by Mr.

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Geo. T. Pearson, Architect, of Philadelphia, under whose general supervision the work has been carried out.

The length of nave is 90 feet by 38 feet in width. Transept, 28 by 32 feet, and chancel, 14 by 20 feet, with robing room attached. The transept will enlarge the seating capacity which had become too limited for the wants of the congregation. The walls on exterior have been repaired and newly painted, the transept being brown stone, with stone entrance porch thereto.

The interior is of the decorated style of English Gothic, the aim being to secure churchly effect, with a moderate expenditure of money.

The ceiling is finished in narrow boarding in light and dark shades of chestnut and is polygonal in shape with lateral ribs and cornices, and traceried apex, and large transverse ribs spanning the ceiling with nail-head ornamentation, and vaulting shafts between the windows.

At the intersection of nave and transept the ceiling is groined with open tracery at junction of ribs, all these ribs being tastefully decorated in polychrome.

The choir and transept galleries have fronts of arched work, the background in blue and gold stencilling in panel, the stairway to transept gallery, being open work and decorated the same.

The chancel is apsidal in form and is separated from nave by pier and arch mouldings, enriched with ornament, and decorated in polychrome.

It contains three finely stained windows, the centre one containing in head a "dove," and in lower compartments a "chalice with grapes," also an "Agnus Dei;" the side ones containing in head a "Trinity" emblem, and the "Alpha Omega."

The ceiling of chancel is divided into five compartments by spandrels of open tracery work resting on mask corbels at springing line of windows, and is colored a light-shade of blue with gold figuring and emblems. The walls of chancel are covered with crimson and gold diaper work, with borders around the windows, corresponding in style. The wainscoting is walnut with blue panels and gold ornamentation.

The pulpits, lectern and chairs, are of open tracery work, and are of walnut. The altar table is of rich design, and has the sentence "In Remembrance of Me," engraved on front, and a plate with a memorial inscription on one end.

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The kneeling cushion in front of the chancel rail is elaborate needle work on canvas, corresponding in style to the finish of the chancel. This and the pulpit frontal were made by ladies of the congregation.

The choir gallery is on the opposite end of the nave and is finished in the same style as the chancel.

The organ has been thoroughly rebuilt, and a new front has been added, with decorated pipes.

The whole wall surface of the Church is colored in freestone tint with window borderings; also borders above wainscoting, and at springing line of ceiling.

The windows in nave and transept are mullioned and filled with quarry works of "*fleur des lys*," glass, of alternate chides of color, with narrow stained border, and figured heads; the circular window in groin of ceiling on south side richly stained with "anchor" in center.

The gas fixtures are of the medieval style of iron work, and are colored blue and gold, a small corona supplying light for the pulpit.

The seats are of walnut and chestnut oiled, and will accommodate 760 persons.

The general contractors for the building were Messrs. Furman & Kite. Stained glass, Messrs. Fredrick & Bro., Brooklyn. Organ builders, Messrs. H. Knauff & Son, Philadelphia. Chancel furniture, Daniel Pabst, Philadelphia, and Frescoer, Benjamin Benas, New York.

True American

Monday, February 20, 1871 (3-3)

OPENING OF ST. MICHAEL'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

This interesting event took place yesterday. There was a large and highly respectable congregation present in the morning, the service to which we call attention. The church, as most of our readers are aware, has been enlarged, reseated, decorated and beautified, and presents a pleasing appearance. By some it is alleged that the decorations are too gaudy; but the appearance, after a few minutes looking, acquires harmony, and taste is felt to have planned the decorations. . . .

The father of the Rector, Mr. Knauff, presided at the organ. . . . (Rev. Mr. Knauff, the Rector, preached). The text was from the 1st of Kings, chapter 8th, verse 13—"I have surely built Thee an house to dwell in." . . . He had intended that

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morning to present a history of the parish, but found that it was a work requiring more time than he had had to bestow, and must, therefore, defer it to some more leisure future. . . .

A FULL-GROWN CHURCH "ROW"

The whimsical genius which presides over the fortunes of congregations, having favored the parish in the prosperity of its external affairs, just at the time when these good things were accomplished, and everybody ought to have been happy and contented, suddenly became averse, and stirred up a spirit of dissension and bitterness, that developed into a full-grown church "row," that terminated in the resignation of the rector, and the creation of differences between his supporters, and those opposed to him, which it required years to heal.

OPPOSITION TO THE RECTOR

The precise cause which led up to the antagonism between the rector and some of the more influential members of the congregation, is not revealed in the records. Certainly at the outset the rector appears to have been favorably regarded by all. In 1869, three years after the beginning of his ministry in St. Michael's, the rector applied for, and was granted, a three months' leave of absence, to make a visit to Europe, which fact would seem to imply that his services and personality at that time, were regarded as entirely acceptable. Three years later the storm broke, being precipitated apparently by the application of the rector made to the bishop for a "Board of Reference," in accordance with the provisions of the Canon relative to "Differences between Ministers and their Congregations." The story can best be told from the minutes of that period.

Annual Meeting Easter Monday, April 1, 1872, held at 8 p.m. at the residence of Mr. F. R. Wilkinson, to consider a communication with regard to an application by the Rector for a Board of Reference; the Rector presiding. The communication read,

Trenton, April 5, 1872.

MR. JAS. C. DECOU, *Secy of the Vestry*,

DEAR SIR:

I hereby give notice to the members of the Vestry who are in opposition to the Rector, that I this day send my

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application to the Bishop of this Diocese for the appointment of a Board of Reference, in accordance with the provisions of Canon 4, Title II of General Canons,

Yours truly, C. W. KNAUFF.

LETTER OF WILLIAM R. MCILVAINE

Meeting of Vestry, August 1, 1872, office E. Mercer Shreve, 78 E. State Street.

The following communication was read:

Trenton, Aug. 1, 1872.

TO RECTOR, WARDENS & VESTRY OF ST. MICHAEL'S CHURCH.

When I consented to accept an appointment made by you last Fall, as one of a Committee to wait upon the Rector, and inform him that the members of the Vestry (believing that they represented a large portion of the people of the Parish) wished him to resign, I little thought what a difficult job we had undertaken.

I was at that time a friend of the Rector, had stood by him in building the Church, and had heard most of the complaints made against him, some of which I thought groundless, others were of some account. I had made up my mind some time before, that the feeling against him was so strong that he ought to leave the Parish, so that when I was told that I was appointed to wait upon him, I did not hesitate to accept. If the Rector had been my brother or son, I should have told him (what the Committee did tell him) long before.

What has taken place since we all know to our sorrow. My first impulse, upon the Rector's refusal to resign, was to resign myself, but after considering the matter, and consulting the Bishop, I determined to wait until the Easter election which the Rector promised should determine the question of his remaining in the Parish. The Easter election came, a majority of the old Vestrymen were elected, and yet no resignation. Three months have passed and yet no change for the better. If the Easter election had resulted in favor of the Rector, I should have submitted, and remained in the Church, as I fully believe in the majority rule, no matter what I might think of the Rector. In the present condition of things I do not feel as if I could worship God comfortably in St. Michael's Church, and have therefore absented myself for the last three months, and propose to do so in the future until the Rector resigns or is removed. My great personal regard for the members of the

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Vestry, and a hope of a speedy settlement of the trouble, has prevented me, heretofore, from resigning the honorable position I have been chosen to fill. We have spent nearly one year in this deplorable condition, with a prospect of another one of the same kind. I am not willing to bear the burden. I would therefore most respectfully resign my office of Warden and Vestryman of St. Michael's Church, Trenton.

Hoping you may soon be relieved from your troubles, I remain,
Affectionately your Christian Brother,

(Signed) WM. R. McILVAINE.

On motion of Mr. Vroom the resignation was accepted.

A POINT OF ORDER MADE

The following letter from the Rector was read:

"Trenton, N.J., 18 April, 1872.

MR. JAMES C. DE'COU,

Secretary of Vestry of St. Michael's Ch.

DEAR SIR:

I hereby give notice to the members of the Vestry who are in opposition to the Rector."

At this point Mr. Shreve objected to the further reading of the communication, stating that it is not addressed to the Vestry as a Vestry, but to certain individuals of the Vestry, and moved that it be laid on the table. Mr. Vroom objected to the motion, and raised a point of order, that the communication must first be read before it could be acted on, as it was not, until then, properly before the meeting. The Chair decided that Mr. Shreve's motion was in order, and it was then passed, and the communication laid on the table.

VESTRY REQUESTS RECTOR TO RESIGN

Meeting of the Vestry, Thursday Evening, August 8, 1872, at the Office of G. D. W. Vroom.

The following Preamble and Resolutions were adopted:

Whereas, It is painfully evident that an irreconcilable difference exists between the Rev. C. W. Knauff and the congregation of St. Michael's Church, which has assumed such a grave and unchristian-like character as to entirely disturb the harmony of the Church, effectually paralyzing its usefulness, and hindering the growth of Christian influence in this community.

And Whereas, a majority of said congregation did at the last

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Easter Election, by re-electing nine of the eleven old Vestrymen of St. Michael's Church, signify a desire to have the said Rector resign the office of Pastor of said Church as he had promised to do if the old Vestry should be re-elected.

And Whereas we believe the withdrawal of the Rev. C. W. Knauff from this Parish will directly tend towards reuniting our distracted Church, and by the calling of a Rector more in unison with the feelings of the majority who are interested in the matter, we may hope for God's blessing on the work of the Church.

THEREFORE RESOLVED, That the Vestry of St. Michael's Church do hereby, and for the reasons above stated, request the *Rev. Christopher Wilkinson Knauff* to resign the Rectorship of said Church.

RESOLVED, That the Secretary of this Vestry be and he is hereby directed to forward to the Rev. C. W. Knauff a copy of the above Resolutions and Preamble.

Meeting of Vestry, Thursday Eve., August 22, 1872

Called to receive the Rector's answer to the Resolutions passed at last meeting. No quorum. Adjourned.

Meeting of Vestry, at Office of E. Mercer Shreve, 78 E. State St., September 12, 1872, 8 p.m.

Present: Messrs. Blackfan, Wilson, Murphy, Moses, Scudder, Johnson, Vroom, Wilkinson and Shreve.

Upon the request of Messrs Vroom and Scudder their respective votes were ordered to be recorded in the negative on the question of the passage, at the last Meeting of the Vestry, of the Resolution asking the Rector to resign. Upon request of Mr. Wilkinson his vote on the said Resolution was ordered to be recorded in the affirmative.

Mr. Vroom laid before the Vestry the following communication:

RECTOR DECLINES TO RESIGN

Trenton, N.J., 13 August, 1872.

TO THE VESTRY OF ST. MICHAEL'S CHURCH.

A paper containing preamble and resolution as passed by the Vestry 8 August, 1872, has been transmitted to me by the Secretary. In answer to the request conveyed in said resolution, I hereby send word that I emphatically decline to comply with the request that I will resign the Rectorship of St. Michael's Parish.

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I thus decline not only because I have been petitioned by a majority of pewholders and of communicants of St. Michael's Church to remain as Rector of the parish,—not only because a Vestry transcends its province when it attempts to limit the period of a rectorship, but also because principles of justice come into the question. It is manifestly and grossly unjust that a few men in a parish, to gratify their own partizanship or personal ill-will, having sown dissension in the congregation, having deliberately made trouble, shall then request the resignation of the Rector for the reason that discussion and trouble exist.

I deny the statement of the preamble that a difference exists between the Rev. C. W. Knauff and the congregation of St. Michael's Church. There is a difference with only a portion of the Church congregation. Such fact is recognized by the 3d section of the preamble, to which I would refer.

I deny that the usefulness of the parish is "effectually paralyzed." There is no difficulty in the working of the parish, except with reference to the men who have commenced and carried on agitation, and with reference to a fraction of the people who follow their leading.

I deny that a "majority of the congregation did at the last Easter election, by re-electing nine of the eleven old Vestrymen, signify a desire to have the said Rector resign." Moreover, with reference to the election of the nine from the old Vestry, I admit that it was an election only *de facto* not *de jure*. It was an election procured by unfair means.

Further-more, I claim that my withdrawal, in compliance with such request as that received, will not tend towards the re-uniting of the distracted parish. The congregation is divided; and for such condition, for all the attendant circumstances, these "hinderers of the word" who make the trouble, are responsible.

Very respectfully
Your Obedient Servant,
(Signed) C. W. KNAUFF.

THE RECTOR RESIGNS

Meeting of Vestry, Wednesday Eve, Mch. 26, 1873.

The Secretary read the following communication:

Resignation of Rev. C. W. Knauff, as Rector, to take effect on Monday, April 7, 1873, to labor in the Diocese of Albany, N.Y. ACCEPTED.

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SKETCH OF THE REV. CHRISTOPHER WILKINSON KNAUFF

Christopher W. Knauff was born in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. He was graduated from Pennsylvania College in 1861, receiving his B.A. at that time, and his M.A. degree in 1870. He attended the Andover Theological Seminary graduating in 1864. He was made deacon in the same year by Bishop Alonzo Potter and priest in 1865 by Bishop Stevens. In 1866 he became rector of St. Michael's Church, Trenton, New Jersey, remaining until 1873. Subsequently he served as canon and precentor in All Saint's Cathedral, Albany, and as rector of Christ Church, Bordentown, New Jersey, also of St. Luke's Church, Cleveland, Tennessee, and St. Paul's Church, Federal Point, Florida.

He was an accomplished musician, and a composer of church music. He was the musical editor for a period of *The Church Standard*. He also wrote a life of Dr. Tucker, the eminent musical composer, and the editor of *Tucker's Church Hymnal*.

He married in 1873 Martha Ryland, the daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Edward I. Grant, parishioners of St. Michael's Church, Trenton. He died in Jacksonville, Florida, June 25, 1911, and was buried in St. Margaret's Churchyard, Hibernia, Florida. A son, the Venerable Grant Knauff, is archdeacon of West Florida, living at Pensacola, Florida.

CHAPTER XXX

THE FOURTH BISHOP OF NEW JERSEY THE RIGHT REVEREND JOHN SCARBOROUGH

1875-1914

DIVISION OF THE DIOCESE AND ELECTION OF DR. SCARBOROUGH

FOUR NEW TRENTON PARISHES ORGANIZED

THE diocese of New Jersey having become too large to be administered adequately as a unit, it was determined to divide the same into two. The announcement that the General Convention of 1874 had agreed to such division, was made by Bishop Odenheimer, in the call issued October 10, 1874, for a special convention.

By the action of the General Convention this day consummated, the formation of a new Diocese within the present limits of the State of New Jersey has been ratified; said new Diocese to be composed of the seven Northern Counties of the State, viz.: the Counties of Sussex, Warren, Passaic, Bergen, Hudson and Essex together with the township of Summit in Union County.

Under the canon governing such cases, Bishop Odenheimer announced the choice for his jurisdiction of the territory set apart for the new diocese, and called a special convention of the Diocese of New Jersey to be held in St. Mary's Church, Burlington, on Thursday, November 12, 1874. The delegates from St. Michael's Church were William R. McIlvaine, Samuel K. Wilson and James C. DeCou.

ELECTION OF DR. JOHN SCARBOROUGH

At the special convention thus summoned the chief business was the election of a bishop to preside over the southern division, which was to retain the old name, "Diocese of New Jersey."

The names of thirty-six presbyters, and one missionary bishop, were presented to the convention for election to the office, including such well-known men as Eugene H. Hoffman, Bishop Tuttle, Henry C. Potter, Henry A. Coit, William R. Hunting-

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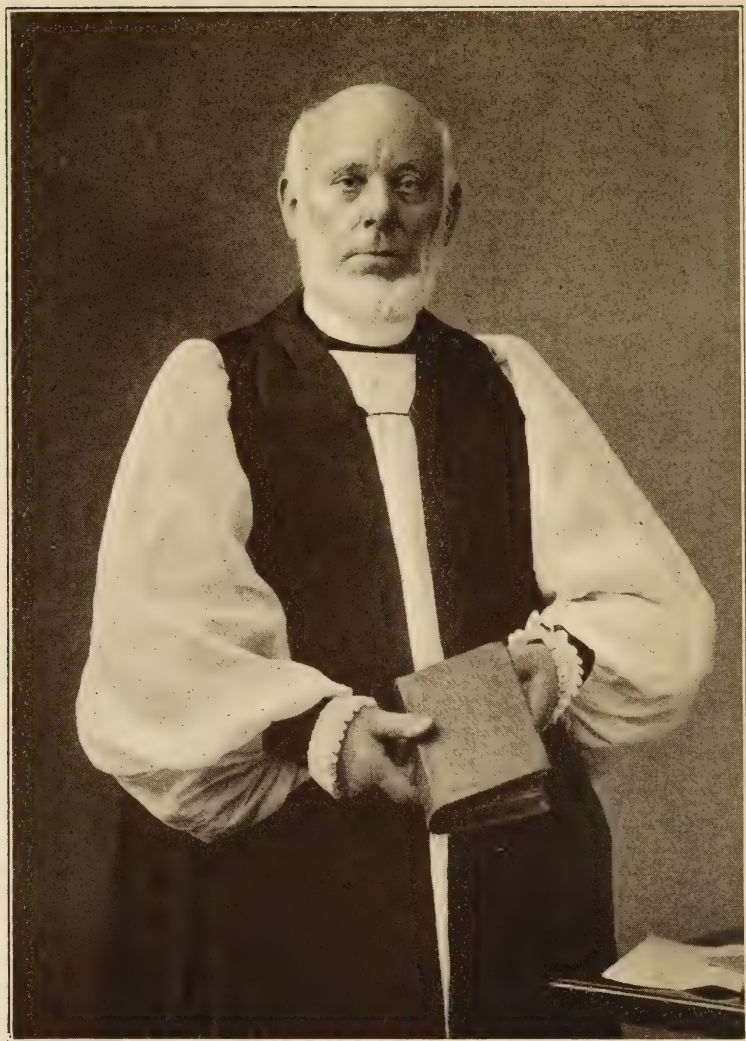
ton, Thomas F. Davies, John Adams Paddock, William Stevens Perry, George F. Seymour, Morgan Dix, James De Koven, Phillips Brooks, J. S. B. Hodges and William Paret. Of these, seven were subsequently elevated to the episcopate elsewhere. Thirteen ballots were taken without securing a choice. On the fourteenth ballot the Rev. John Scarborough, D.D., rector of Trinity Church, Pittsburgh, Pa., having received a constitutional majority of thirty-one clerical and thirty-six lay votes, was declared elected.

THE CONSECRATION OF DR. SCARBOROUGH

Dr. Scarborough was consecrated as the fourth bishop of New Jersey, on Tuesday, the Feast of the Purification, February 2, 1875, in St. Mary's Church, Burlington. The bishop-elect was presented by the Bishops of Albany and Massachusetts. The sermon was preached by the Bishop of Albany, and the Bishop of Pennsylvania celebrated the Holy Communion. The Bishop of New York was the empowered consecrator for the occasion. Seven bishops were in attendance, viz.: Horatio Potter of New York, William Bacon Stevens of Pennsylvania, John B. Kerfoot of Pittsburgh, A. N. Littlejohn of Long Island, William Crosswell Doane of Albany, M. A. DeWolfe Howe of Central Pennsylvania and Benjamin H. Paddock of Massachusetts. Priests of the Diocese of New Jersey who were present on the occasion and are alive today (1925), were the Rev. Alfred B. Baker, secretary of the special convention, the Rev. Charles M. Perkins and the Rev. L. H. Lightipe. The Rev. William H. Neilson, Jr., then rector of St. Michael's Church, was also in attendance, as was James C. DeCou, one of the lay delegates from that parish. Mr. DeCou also participated in the election of the fifth bishop of New Jersey, forty years later, being the only layman in the diocese who served as a delegate to both conventions.

A FORTY-YEARS EPISCOPATE

The fourth bishop of New Jersey was to exercise his episcopal office for nigh forty years, and to prove himself a wise master-builder and faithful chief shepherd of the flock, endearing himself to all by his genial, warm-hearted manners, and his gracious



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and sympathetic nature. Under his benign rule peace and harmony ever prevailed in the diocese, as under his wise leadership the work grew and prospered in abounding measure.

SKETCH OF BISHOP SCARBOROUGH

The following sketch of Dr. Scarborough is taken from Perry, *The Episcopate in America*, p. 235.

The branch of the family to which the fourth bishop of New Jersey belongs lived near the town of the same name on the Ouse River (Ireland) and close to the North Sea. The bishop's father, however, held an appointment in the revenue service and made his home in the north of Ireland at Castlewellan, County Down, where the future bishop was born April 25, 1831.

When yet a lad he crossed the ocean, with two elder brothers. He was graduated at Trinity, Hartford, 1854. Three years later he completed his course in the General Theological Seminary and was ordained to the diaconate in Trinity, New York, June 28, 1857, and priested in St. Paul's, Troy, New York, August 14, 1858, by Bishop H. Potter. His first charge was the curacy of St. Paul's, Troy. In 1860 he became first rector of the Church of the Holy Communion, Poughkeepsie, New York. After seven years spent in this charge he became rector of Trinity, Pittsburgh, where he remained until his elevation to the Episcopate. His alma mater conferred upon him the doctorate in divinity in 1872. He was a deputy to the General Convention in 1871 and again in 1874.

Untiring in his devotion to every detail of his work, judicious and impartial in his administration, conservative, scholarly, and wielding a powerful influence, the fourth bishop of New Jersey is beloved by all classes and conditions of men who recognize in him a man of God and a true-hearted bishop of Souls.

DEATH OF BISHOP SCARBOROUGH

On March 14, 1914, John Scarborough, the fourth bishop of New Jersey, passed away at his home in Trenton, after an episcopate of nearly two-score years. His funeral was held in Christ Church, Trenton, the following Tuesday, and was an occasion of the assemblage of many clergy and laymen of the diocese, beside prominent citizens of Trenton and of the state. He was buried in Riverview Cemetery, Trenton.

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A TRIBUTE TO BISHOP SCARBOROUGH

The following tribute to Bishop Scarborough was paid in a sermon preached by one of the rectors of Trenton, and is here inserted as showing the high regard and affection with which the bishop was regarded in his See city:

The late lamented John Scarborough who as bishop of this diocese for two-score years was widely known and loved not only by the members of his immediate flock, but by the church at large, has passed away. To us who live in this See city, he was recognized not merely as our ecclesiastical head, but as a leading citizen of the town and our friend and neighbour. As an ecclesiastic and as a man we loved and honored him. He went in and out among us with good will and modesty. Always accessible, always gentle and sympathetic, he was a real father-in-God to clergy and laity alike,—uncompromising as to the essentials of the church's faith and order, yet broad and tolerant in his views, simple in his ways and in his manner of life, he yet well sustained the dignity of his office and under his beneficent and wise rule the diocese grew and prospered. . . .

In his latter years, even after his unusual strength had abated, he yet continued to lead a busy life and to fulfill with satisfaction all the duties incumbent upon him. Despite his sorrows and losses his unvarying cheerfulness and keen sense of humor remained with him to the end. . . .

John Scarborough has gone to his well-earned reward, but his memory will linger yet for many a year in the minds and affections of those who knew him. The diocese owes him much for the example of his stainless life and lovable personality. The work he accomplished for Christ and the church is his best and highest memorial. Peace and harmony marked his long reign. The diocese today is at unity in itself. . . .

GROWTH OF THE CHURCH IN TRENTON

During Bishop Scarborough's administration four new parishes were formed in Trenton; Christ Church, 1891, which became in 1916, the pro-cathedral of the diocese; Grace Church in 1896, formerly a mission of St. Michael's Church; All Saints Church, 1901, in the Cadwalader district, and St. James, originally a mission of Christ Church, organized as a parish in 1910.

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CHRIST CHURCH

Christ Church had its beginnings in a Sunday school which was started by Mrs. Scarborough, the wife of the bishop, in order to provide for the needs of families living in the Hamilton Avenue district. Sunday evening services were started in September 1885, by the Rev. Frederick Post, rector of St. Paul's Church, Trenton, and subsequently continued for about a year by the Rev. Henry M. Barbour, rector of Trinity Church, and his assistant, the Rev. Elliot White. The first minister in charge was the Rev. William Hicks, who was followed by the Rev. Charles A. Tibbats, and as the first rector the Rev. Robert Mackellar. Then came the Rev. Edward Jennings Knight in 1891, who remained until he was elected missionary bishop of Western Colorado. He was succeeded by the Rev. Robert W. Trenbath, 1907-1915. After Bishop Matthews was elected he himself became rector of the parish, and Christ Church was made the pro-cathedral. He appointed as his vicar and a canon, the Rev. William H. Moor the present incumbent.

The cornerstone of Christ Church was laid in 1887. The members of the first vestry were John G. Bureglin, senior warden, Robert Surtees, junior warden; vestrymen were Eagleton Hanson, William E. Ireland, Isaac Yates, and Thomas Perry.

After Mrs. Scarborough's death, a window was placed in the church to her memory. The window bears the inscription

Catherine Elizabeth Scarborough

1847-1909

Founder of this Church

GRACE CHURCH

Grace Church had been started as a mission of St. Michael's Church in 1875. In 1896 it was organized as an independent parish under the Rev. Milton A. Craft who had been assistant minister in the charge of the chapel since 1893. Two flourishing missions have since in turn sprung out of Grace Church, St. Andrew's in 1895 and St. Luke's in 1913. In 1924 the Rev. Gordon L. Kidd became the assistant in Grace Church with special charge of St. Andrews' mission.

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ALL SAINTS' CHURCH

All Saints' Church grew out of a mission which was established in the rapidly growing Cadwalader section in 1894. This mission was first served by members of the Associate Mission of Trenton, the Rev. Thomas A. Conover being in charge for several years. Services were first held in the Cadwalader Mansion. Mr. Conover was succeeded in 1900 by the Rev. Ralph E. Urban, who became rector the following year when a parish organization was effected. The cornerstone of the present church was laid on All Saints' Day, 1896, and the first service held on Easter Day, 1897. The ground on which the church stands, was deeded by the Cadwalader estate. Members of the first vestry elected in 1901 were Louis H. McKee and Dr. Joseph M. Wells, wardens; Josiah Hollies, Dr. William N. Mumper and James C. Tattersall, vestrymen.

ST. JAMES CHURCH

St. James Church was started as a mission in 1894, and placed in charge of the Rev. Thomas Conover, then the head of the Associate Mission. It was organized as a parish in 1910. The first rector was the Rev. William G. Wherry, and the following composed the first vestry: Mr. Joseph Everill, *Rector's Warden*; Mr. John Wilcox, *People's Warden*; Mr. T. Mallam, Mr. A. Rowley, Mr. J. K. Chambers, Mr. Wm. Layton, Mr. H. Robinson, Mr. R. Jackson, Mr. A. Wildblood, Mr. C. E. Wannop.

The present rector (1925) is the Rev. William B. Rogers, who has held the position since 1912.



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CHAPTER XXXI

THE RECTORATE OF THE REVEREND WILLIAM HUDE NEILSON, JR.

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A PEACEFUL PASTORATE

“AND the land had rest forty years” seems an appropriate quotation from the Scriptures, wherewith to designate the period of quiet work and conservative upbuilding, material and spiritual, which marked the rectorate of the Rev. William H. Neilson, Jr. This rectorate begun in 1873, was to continue until 1889.

The new rector came to a parish which was sorely rent with dissension, and which needed the sympathetic guidance and gentle control of a consecrated spiritual leader.

Referring to the conditions that prevailed when he began his ministry, Mr. Neilson said in an address summing up his sixteen years pastorate:

He had come in 1873 to a parish where there was the bitterest possible strife. But he had the advantage of being unacquainted with the parish or former rector and he would not be a party to the quarrel.

THE ELECTION OF THE REV. WILLIAM H. NEILSON, JR.

Meeting of the vestry, July 9, 1873.

Rev. William H. Neilson Jr was unanimously elected Rector at a salary of \$2500.

His letter of acceptance under date July 29, 1873, follows:

Gentlemen,

After mature and prayerful consideration I have decided to accept your invitation to the Rectorship of St. Michael's Church and hope to begin my labors among you on the 2d Sunday in October next.

(signed) WILLIAM H. NEILSON, JR.

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ST. MICHAEL'S CHURCH BUYS A RECTORY

Up to this period the parish had as yet never possessed a rectory, the rectors living in rented houses. Now it was felt the time had come to make provision for an official residence owned by the parish, wherein the rectors could be housed comfortably, and with dignity.

November 5, 1874.

On motion of Mr. Shreve, Messrs McIlvaine and (Samuel K.) Wilson were appointed a Committee upon the necessity of procuring the necessary funds for providing a Rectory for the Parish.

At the vestry meeting held November 4, 1875, the committee brought in its report:

The Committee on Rectory reported subscriptions to the amount of \$3250.00 and mentioned several properties that had been examined. After discussion the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That the Committee appointed in reference to the procuring of a Rectory for St. Michael's Parish be and they are hereby authorized, if in their judgment it is deemed advisable, to purchase upon the most favorable terms of payment and in the corporate name of St. Michael's Parish the house and lot known as the Prior house, and now in the occupancy of William S. Sharp.

The Committee reported finally on Friday, February 11, 1876, that they had purchased the property as authorized.

The Committee on Rectory reported That as authorized by vestry on November 4, 1875, they have purchased the "Prior House" and lot No. 48 W. State Street, for \$10,000 subject to a mortgage of \$5000, that is \$5000 to be paid by the parish towards which about \$3000 is now subscribed, Accepted.

THE HOPEWELL GRAVEYARD

March 30, 1875.

It being stated that the graveyard in Ewing Township was in a neglected condition Mr. Moses moved that the wardens and Mr. Woodruff be appointed a Committee to look after the yard and report what ought to be done.

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Two years later the committee through Mr. Samuel K. Wilson, who had been added to the number, made its report.

March 22, 1877.

Mr. Wilson from the Special Committee to look after the old Church-yard in Ewing Township reported: The Committee visited the ground and recommended that nothing be done.

We hear nothing further concerning the Hopewell graveyard until September 9, 1886:

On motion of Mr. DeCou the Rector and Mr. Woodruff appointed a committee to confer with Mr. Breese in reference to a burial lot belonging to St. Michael's Church situated on his farm in Ewing Township.

On November 4 of the same year the committee reported as follows:

The Committee on Burial Lot in Ewing Township reported that Mr. Breese had enclosed the lot and put it in a condition satisfactory to the Committee.

AN ASSISTANT MINISTER ELECTED

April 12, 1875.

The Rev. M. H. Martin elected Assistant Minister of St. Michael's Church.

April 13, 1875.

The Rev. M. H. Martin accepts Asst. ministership by letter dated Trenton, April 13, 1875.

THE SUNDAY SCHOOL BUILDING

The Committee on Sunday school building reported that "they had rented the large room in the Chapel to a Literary Society, to be used on Monday evenings at \$3.50 an evening."

OFFER OF PEW TO BISHOP SCARBOROUGH

The bishop of this diocese having made Trenton his residence, on motion of Mr. Moses, Pew No. 105 was tendered for the use of the Bishop and his family.

September 7, 1875.

A letter from the bishop of the diocese was read thanking the vestry for its offer:

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Trenton, N. J., May 7, 1875.

MY DEAR MR. DE COU,

I thank you and through you the vestry of St. Michael's Church for your thoughtful courtesy in offering us the use of a pew. I shall very rarely if ever have the pleasure of sitting in it, but for my family I accept it with thanks & remain ever

Faithfully yours

(signed) JOHN SCARBOROUGH.

DEATH OF THE REV. RICHARD B. DUANE

The announcement of the death of the Rev. Richard B. Duane, a former rector of the parish and still affectionately remembered, brought appropriate action on the part of the vestry:

Meeting of vestry, Special, Tuesday Eve, December 14, 1875, at Rector's residence to pass Resolutions on the death of the Rev. Dr. R. B. Duane, former Rector, To be published in the *Episcopal Register and Church Journal*, as well in the Trenton Daily Papers, and a copy sent to the afflicted family. A delegation appointed to attend the funeral tomorrow.

AN OLD PRAYER BOOK PRINTED IN 1742

A copy of the Prayer Book was presented to the Parish by Philemon Dickinson, who had found it in his residence and desired the vestry of St. Michael's Church to have it, supposing it to have formerly belonged to the Parish. Accepted with thanks.

A NEW CHAPEL ON CLINTON AVENUE

April 10, 1876.

It was stated that a member of the Parish had offered to build a chapel on Clinton Avenue, provided the ground should be procured.

Resolved that St. Michael's Church purchase the two lots on the corner of Clinton and Sheridan Avenues, 50 x 100 feet for the purpose of erecting a Chapel for the mission of the said Church. Resolved that the Rector execute a Bond & Mortgage for \$800 for said lots, about to be purchased from Christian F. Seez.

CHAPEL THE GIFT OF SAMUEL K. WILSON

This chapel was subsequently erected into a new parish, under the name Grace Church. The building was the gift of Samuel K. Wilson.

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Meeting of the vestry Friday Eve, February 9, 1877.

On motion of Mr. Rossell the following Resolution was adopted. Resolved, That the thanks of the Vestry be tendered to Mr. Samuel K. Wilson for his generous act in building a Chapel for the mission of this Church at Clinton and Sheridan Avenues. Resolved The secretary be requested to forward a copy of the above resolution to Mr. Wilson.

CORNERSTONE OF CHAPEL LAID

The cornerstone of the new chapel was laid on Thursday afternoon, May 12, 1876, by Bishop Scarborough, in the presence of a large congregation.

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Friday, May 12, 1876

LAYING OF THE CORNER STONE OF THE CHAPEL OF ST. MICHAEL'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

The ceremonies of the laying of the corner stone of the Chapel erected under the auspices of St. Michael's Protestant Episcopal Church of this City took place yesterday at the corner of Clinton and Sheridan Avenues. A large number of people were present. We first took a glance at the foundations of the prospective Church. The dimensions are 30 x 60. The side walls are to be run up about 14 feet. The building exclusive of the lot is to cost about \$3500 and we understand is being put up by Mr. Samuel K. Wilson at his own expense. The work is being done by Prior & West.

At about a quarter to five o'clock Bishop Scarborough, Rev. Mr. Neilson, Rev. Mr. Brown, Rev. Mr. Pettit and Rev. Mr. Love appeared in their canonicals. They were attended by the vestry and others of St. Michael's Church. . . .

Rev. Mr. Neilson made an address in which he alluded to the enterprize which had commenced some fifteen months ago with less than twenty-five scholars and that it now numbers one hundred and forty-five. . . . the Bishop made an address in which he spoke in high terms of the missionary labors of the friends of St. Michael's Church, who had founded this Mission Chapel.

State Gazette

Saturday, September 16, 1876

The new Episcopal Chapel. The opening services of St. Michael's Chapel recently erected on Clinton Street will be

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held tomorrow (Sunday) afternoon at 4 o'clock. Bishop Scarborough will preach the sermon. This is a beautiful little edifice and the people of that locality are very proud of it.

SOME ASSISTANT MINISTERS

In connection with the work of the mission chapel, additional clerical assistance was required, and we therefore find during this period that several assistant ministers were elected. None remained except for a short period. They followed each other in rapid succession, viz: the Rev. R. H. G. Osborne, M.D., the Rev. P. P. Phillips, the Rev. John S. Gilson, the Rev. George H. Edwards, the Rev. Henry S. Williamson, the Rev. Wallace W. Lovejoy and the Rev. Parnell Le Bas Cross.

PROPERTY ON CHESTNUT AVENUE

The parish had acquired some property on Chestnut Avenue, conveyed to it by James M. Davis and wife in 1877. This property represented a subscription to the rectory fund and a further sum for the floating indebtedness.

January 14, 1878.

Resolved that the Protestant Episcopal Church of St. Michael in the City of Trenton make a deed to Ottilia Roleder for the premises conveyed to said Church by James M. Davis and wife September 21, 1877.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE FOR THE RECTOR

The rector was contemplating a visit to the Holy Land, and had applied in February 1879 for, and had been granted a leave of absence for four months. The visit was postponed on account of a quarantine against the plague. Subsequently the rector made a similar application:

Meeting of vestry, January 8, 1880, 8 p.m.

On application of the Rector, permission was granted him for 6 months leave of absence to visit the Holy Land.

(Letter of thanks received from the Rector dated January 16.)

AN OLD SLAB

Meeting of vestry, February 14, 1882, 4 p.m.

The Rector suggested the propriety of having an old slab, bearing dates of the erection of some of the early church build-

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ings of the parish, placed in the wall of the present edifice. On motion of Mr. Johnson the matter was referred to the warden for consideration.

EXTENSIVE BUILDING OPERATIONS

Extensive alterations and improvements to the church building were in contemplation, as also the purchase of a new organ.

SAMUEL K. WILSON DIVIDES THE EXPENSE

A special meeting of the vestry July 22, 1886 on call of the Rector to "consider alteration & Improvements at the Church" was held this evening at 8 o'clock. The Rector stated that, in order to ascertain the feeling with regard to proposed alterations &c. he asked the Ladies to call upon the members of the Congregation for funds for the work. Subscriptions to the amount of about \$1600 have been obtained. The Senior warden, Mr. Wilson, having offered to give an amount equal to that subscribed by the rest of the Congregation, the sum of about \$3,200 being now available.

Resolved that the money given be used for the purchase of a new organ and to make contemplated improvements. The following Committee appointed. The Rector, Messrs Wilson, Hilson, Hancock & Johnson.

A NEW ORGAN ORDERED

September 9, 1886, 8 p.m.

The Committee on Church improvements reported having ordered an organ of Johnson & Son, Westfield, Mass., to cost \$1800 according to Contract.

The Committee also exhibited the plan of proposed alterations.

SERVICES HELD IN PERRY STREET CHAPEL

November 4, 1886, 8 p.m.

The Rector stated that the Ladies Aid Society of the Parish had thoroughly renovated the Perry Street Chapel for the purpose of holding service there while the Church building was being altered, and also put a new heater in the Rectory.

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REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON IMPROVEMENTS

February 3, 1887.

The Committee on Improvements reported:

A new organ has been placed in the Church at a cost of \$1800. The inside of the Church has been altered by making a broad centre aisle and two side aisles and also thoroughly repainted and upholstered, a new vestry-room and a choir-room built and the outside of the Church painted.

The cost of the improvements, besides the organ, is about \$2,500. making a total of about \$4,300. There has been raised in the congregation \$1,964. Mr. Samuel K. Wilson agrees to pay \$2,000. which leaves a deficiency of a little over \$300.

OLD ORGAN SOLD TO GERMAN LUTHERAN CHURCH

May 3, 1888, 8 p.m.

The old organ was sold, paid for and removed to the German Lutheran Church of this City for \$250.

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Saturday, September 18, 1886 (3-1)

CHURCH ALTERATIONS

The alterations in St. Michael's Church having commenced, the church will be closed for a few Sundays. During that time services will be held in the chapels belonging to the parish. As the improvements in the chapel on Perry Street will be more extensive than were at first contemplated, it will be impossible to have it in readiness next Sunday. The Sunday School, however, will meet in the chapel, as usual. Both services next Sunday will be held in the chapel on Clinton avenue, corner of Sheridan, at 10:30 a.m., and 7:45 p.m. After next Sunday services will be held in Perry street chapel at 10:30 a.m., and in the chapel on Clinton avenue at 4:15 p.m.

State Gazette

Saturday, October 23, 1886 (3-1)

RE-OPENING OF ST. MICHAEL'S CHURCH

The work on the interior of St. Michael's Church, with the exception of the vestry and choir rooms, has been completed, and it will be opened for Divine service tomorrow. . . . The work on the exterior has been commenced, and will be finished before cold weather sets in.

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A LEGACY FOR ST. MICHAEL'S

February 2, 1888, 8 p.m.

Mrs. Charlotte N. McIntosh, dec'd., for many years a communicant, by will devised to St. Michael's Church the following

\$1000 to St. Michael's Church

\$500 for benefit of Sunday School

\$300 for education of pious young men
for the ministry of the P.E. Church of N.J.

\$300 for assisting feeble parishes in said state to
erect Churches.

She appointed Lawrence Lewis her Executor.

The above accepted by the Rector on order of wardens & vestry.

CLOSE OF THE RECTORATE OF THE REV. WILLIAM H. NEILSON, JR.

The long and fruitful rectorship of the Rev. Mr. Neilson was now drawing to a close, being prompted by ill health.

May 2, 1889.

House of Thomas W. Johnson, 17 West State St.

The resignation of Wm. H. Neilson, Rector, dated May 1, 1889, effective June 1, 1889, was received—Accepted.

Resolutions expressive of regret over the resignation of the Rev. William H. Neilson, D.D. on account of ill health.

State Gazette

Saturday, June 1, 1889 (5-1)

Dr. Neilson, the retiring Rector of St. Michael's Church has been presented with a silver shaving mug and brush by the members of the Brotherhood of St. Andrew's.

State Gazette

Monday, May 27, 1889 (5-2)

Rev. Mr. Neilson yesterday preached his farewell sermon at St. Michael's P.E. Church. He presented his resignation as rector of the church several weeks ago and it was accepted. His text was Hebrews XIII, verses 20 and 21. . . .

He reviewed at some length the work he had accomplished from the time he had assumed the rectorship of the church in September 1873. At that time he said he was in grave doubt as to whether or not to accept the call. He asked and was granted

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three weeks time to consider the matter, and he finally concluded that God had a work for him to do here.

He said that he would never forget the feeling of trepidation that he experienced when he first came. He had come to a parish where there was the bitterest possible strife. But he had the advantage of being unacquainted with the parish or former rector and he would not be a party to the quarrel. . . . The church was then encumbered with a \$3000 debt, contracted in rebuilding. There was then no rectory, and the number of communicants was about 240.

Rev. Mr. Neilson then outlined the changes since then, saying that they were united in a peaceful parish, the \$3000 debt had been paid, and the rectory and Clinton Avenue Chapel had been built, the parish thus gaining in real estate \$15,000. In addition to this, \$2,000 had been invested in property at the shore.

The number of communicants had been increased to 390, of which 291 are registered in the church and 99 in the chapel, and this notwithstanding the astounding and oppressive fact that the number of burials has been 364, more than 23 a year. A large portion of these were communicants of the parish. No less than 14 Vestrymen and ex-Vestrymen have been taken. These losses have seriously reduced the means of the parish, for those who have taken the place of the dead have not contributed in so large a degree. In consequence the burden of supporting the church has been greater.

The reverend speaker called attention to the fact that his rectorship has been the longest with but one exception, that of the Rev. Samuel Starr, who was in charge from September 1836 to March 1855. Dr. Waddell was in charge from 1798 to 1811. Outside of these none of his sixteen predecessors had half so long a rectorship as he had had.

SKETCH OF THE REV. WILLIAM HUDE NEILSON, JR.

He was graduated from the University of the City of New York 1860, received his M.A. degree in 1863, and a doctorate of divinity from Kenyon College in 1885; ordered deacon by Bishop Horatio Potter in 1863, and priested 1866 by Bishop Eastburn of Massachusetts. His first charge, 1863-1864, was as assistant at the Church of the Ascension, New York City. He then went to St. John's Church, Framingham, Massachusetts, 1864-1866. From 1866 to 1871 he was rector of St. John's

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Church, Long Island City, Long Island. He was at Holy Trinity Church, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, 1871-1873, when he was called as rector to St. Michael's Church, Trenton, New Jersey. He held this office from 1873 to 1889, when he resigned his rectorship.

For a year, 1890-1891, he held the post of Official Visitor, American Church Missionary Society to Cuba. He was rector of Trinity Church, Shepherdstown, West Virginia, 1891-1901 and rector of Christ Church, Piscataway, New Jersey, 1904. At his retirement in 1914 he was made rector emeritus. He died December 8, 1922.

CHAPTER XXXII

THE RECTORATE OF THE REVEREND OSCAR S. BUNTING

1889-1896

THE REVEREND MILTON A. CRAFT

THE rectorship of St. Michael's Church remained vacant only three months, and was filled on September 10, 1889, by the election of the Rev. Oscar S. Bunting. The rector-elect made his decision after a visit of inspection to the parish, and sent his letter of acceptance on September 28, stating that "he hopes to begin the 1st Sunday in November."

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Saturday, November 2, 1889

RECTOR OF ST. MICHAEL'S

The pulpit of St. Michael's Church which has been vacant for the last five months will tomorrow be occupied by the Rev. Oscar S. Bunting, who has accepted the rectorship of St. Michael's parish.

Dr. Bunting is highly recommended and is said to be an enthusiastic worker and an elegant speaker. He is about 34 years old, a graduate of Alexandria Theological Seminary of Virginia. He has been in the ministry some ten or more years. The first part of that time was spent at Danville, Va., but for the last eight years he has served at Harrisonburg, Va., from which place he comes to accept the present call.

Mr. Bunting was to serve for seven years in the rectorship of St. Michael's Church.

As the post of assistant-minister was then vacant, the vestry proceeded to elect to that position, the Rev. Lewis H. Jackson.

June 18, 1890.

Rev. Lewis H. Jackson elected Asst. Minister of St. Michael's Parish for 1 year from June 15, 1890. Salary \$700.



THE REVEREND OSCAR S. BUNTING, D.D.

DIED 1905

RECTOR 1889-1896

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Mr. Jackson remained little more than a year, resigning December 15, 1892, "in order to accept the rectorship of St. Andrew's Church, Yardley, Pa."

SOME LEGACIES AND GIFTS RECEIVED

June 18, 1890.

It was announced that \$500 had been received from Mrs. Anna E. Foster, it being one-half of \$1000, to be given to St. Michael's Church in accordance with the expressed intention of her mother Mrs. Katurah T. Steward, a communicant of this parish, lately deceased.

September 8, 1891.

Acknowledgment of receipt of a legacy left to the Church by the late Sarah S. Wilkinson of \$500.

THE HESTER DRIVER SMITH MEMORIAL FUND

The announcement was made at a meeting of the vestry, March 18, 1892, that Miss Elizabeth A. Smith, by a deed dated January 31, 1889, had conveyed a property on Spring Street to "The Saint Michael's Home," which property had been sold subsequently for \$2200 and the proceeds paid over to the rector church wardens and vestrymen, by St. Michael's Home, together with \$800 paid by Miss Smith out of money belonging to her, in all amounting to \$3000—in trust for a certain purpose.

The following resolution was passed:

Therefore be it Resolved that said sum of \$3000 shall be called "*The Hester Driver Smith Memorial Fund*" and shall be forever held in trust and that the income thereof shall be applied for the benefit of the poor of this parish under the direction of the Rector for the time being of this Church and for no other purpose whatsoever.

And be it Resolved that a proper declaration of trust to that effect be executed by the Rector of St. Michael's Church, he being the President ex-officio of the vestry and be delivered to the said Elizabeth A. Smith, together with a copy of this resolution.

CHURCH PROPERTY AND INVESTED FUNDS

The following report as to the value of the church property and invested funds was presented at the Easter meeting April 13, 1893:

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Value of Property

Church Building	}	
Parish House		
Grave yard		40,000
Perry Street Chapel		7,000
Rectory		10,000
Church organ		1,500
Church Furniture		2,500

\$61,000

Investment Fund

For the Sunday School	\$ 1,750
For the Poor of the Parish	3,000
For Rector's Salary	5,000
For General Purposes	1,500

\$11,250

THE PERRY STREET SUNDAY-SCHOOL BUILDING

May 4, 1893.

The Committee on new Parish House authorized to sell the Perry Street Parish House, provided they can secure \$9,000.

May 20, 1893.

Mr. John Moses stated that the State Baptist Association through Mr. W. I. Vannest desired an option on the Perry Street Chapel, which was

That said Association have until Jan. 1, 1896, the option of purchasing for \$3500 in cash and a mortgage for \$5000 at 5%, the rent to be paid regularly until that time, but not to apply on purchase price. Power given to the vestry to act as might be best.

Under date July 9, 1896, we find something further as to the chapel:

Whereas, when the Chapel on Perry Street was rented to the congregation of the Shiloh Baptist (colored) Church, it was with the understanding that the property should be bought within a reasonable time; and whereas, said congregation having occupied the building for two years without taking any steps towards securing the same; Therefore—

Resolved that the Pastor, Board of managers of Shiloh Baptist Church, be and they are hereby notified that unless some

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definite arrangements for the purchase of the property be made before October 1, 1896, said property will be placed in the market and advertised for sale.

November 5, 1896.

On request of Shiloh Baptist Church time for purchase of Chapel on Perry Street extended to December 1, 1896.

NOTICE TO VACATE

February 4, 1897.

Resolved that the Shiloh Baptist Church be notified to vacate and deliver up said Chapel to the vestry of St. Michael's on April 1, 1897, unless if on or before that date, payments are made according to the first proposition or the property transferred.

A promise that "the rent for Perry Street Chapel up to June 1 would be paid about that time" having been made, the matter was allowed to rest for the time being.

PERRY STREET CHAPEL OFFERED FOR SALE

February 3, 1898.

The special committee to dispose of the Perry Street Chapel are authorized to place the same in the hands of a real estate agent for sale or rent.

PERRY STREET CHAPEL LEASED

November 9, 1898.

The special committee on Perry Street Chapel announced the lease of the same to the Volunteers of America.

PROPOSAL TO LEASE PERRY STREET CHAPEL TO THE CITY

November 2, 1899.

The Committee on Chapels reported having received a proposition to rent the Perry Street Chapel to the City of Trenton for school purposes: Ordered that the committee consider same on termination of present lease.

Nothing seems to have come of this proposition, and in 1900 the vestry passed a resolution on motion of Mr. Vroom, whereby the "committee on chapels was authorized to file a bill in Chancery for the purpose of settling the title to the Perry Street Chapel and obtaining leave to sell the same."

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SOLD TO THE SALVATION ARMY

Here the matter seems to have rested until 1903, when the property was sold to the Salvation Army.

Under date June 2, 1903, is the following note in the minutes of the vestry:

Mr. Vroom as chairman of the Committee on Chapels reported the sale of the Perry Street Chapel property to the Salvation Army for Five Thousand and Six Hundred Dollars \$5,600: and on motion it was

Resolved That the Rector as President of the vestry be authorized to execute the deed, from the Rector, Church wardens and vestrymen of the Protestant Episcopal Church of St. Michael in the City of Trenton, to the Salvation Army, for the Perry Street Chapel property and to affix the seal of the Corporation thereto.

A FINANCIAL BURDEN SHIFTED

The financial burden involved in paying the salary of an assistant minister in charge of the Clinton Avenue chapel, seems to have become too heavy for the resources of the parish at this time, and we find the following proposal advanced:

May 4, 1893.

Whereas it seems impossible under existing circumstances to raise from the congregation the amount necessary for the salary of an Assistant to the Rector and

Whereas, Mr. S. K. Wilson has always shown a deep interest in the work of the Chapel; therefore

Resolved that the vestry respectfully propose to Mr. Wilson that he assume the payment of the salary of an Assistant, with the understanding that he be not called on for any further contribution towards the expenses of Church other than the rental, at the usual rate, of his pew.

MR. WILSON CONSENTS TO PAY SALARY

To this proposal Mr. Wilson gave his assent, and he continued to pay such salary until the chapel became an independent parish in 1896.

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THE REV. MILTON A. CRAFT

The Rev. Milton A. Craft was called as assistant minister in charge of the chapel in 1893, and subsequently became the rector of Grace Church, after its formation as a parish in 1896, and has continued as such up to the present time (1925), serving in all a term of thirty-two years.

The celebration of his twenty-fifth anniversary, September 24, 1918, was a notable event in the city, and brought together in the Crescent Temple a large assemblage of his parishioners and friends. The bishop and clergy of the Episcopal Church and ministers representing many denominations and citizens of Trenton united to honor Mr. Craft for his long and faithful service.

The Rev. Mr. Craft is a graduate of the Virginia Theological Seminary in the Class of 1892. He received the diaconate in the same year, and was priested in 1893 by Bishop Randolph of Virginia. Thus he has spent his entire ministry in Trenton.

THE REV. O. S. BUNTING RESIGNS

The resignation of Mr. Bunting was offered at a meeting of the vestry held January 11, 1896.

Resignation of Rev. O. S. Bunting Rector dated January 11, 1896, and effective March 1 was read and accepted with regrets. The Rector to accept a call to St. Paul's Church, Petersburg, Va.

State Gazette

Monday, February 24, 1896

Rev. Oscar S. Bunting who for over six years has acceptably filled the position of rector of St. Michael's P.E. Church preached his last sermon to his present congregation yesterday morning, before leaving for his new charge at Petersburg, Va.

RESOLUTION OF THE VESTRY ON THE DEATH OF
MR. BUNTING

February 25, 1905.

A special meeting of the vestry of St. Michael's Church called for the purpose of taking action on the death of our late beloved Rector, the Rev. Oscar S. Bunting, D.D. (which occurred at Petersburg, Virginia, on Friday, February 24, 1905) was held this afternoon at 4 o'clock in the Parish House.

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On motion of Mr. Vroom it was Resolved that a Committee of three be appointed by the President to frame a minute expressive of the feelings of the Vestry and Parish.

"The vestry of St. Michael's Protestant Episcopal Church at Trenton, New Jersey, in expressing their sorrow at the death of the Rev. Oscar S. Bunting, D.D., formerly Rector of this Parish desire to bear witness to his virtues, learning and Christian Character.

"Mr. Bunting came to this parish in the year 1889, a stranger to almost every member thereof, but by his upright bearing, unobtrusive piety, and never ceasing work for the interests of the Church, soon endeared himself to everyone, and his influence for good was felt, not only in the parish, but throughout the community.

"It was with deep regret that we parted with him when he felt that his duty called him to another field of Christian work.

"In recognition of his faithful service as our rector and of his lovable character, and pure and holy life, we desire to have this expression of our feelings entered upon the minutes of the vestry of this Parish.

"Resolved that a copy of this minute be sent to the family of our late rector, published in the papers of this City and in the *Southern Churchman*.

(signed) GARRETT D. W. VROOM
JAMES C. DE COU
CHARLES H. BAKER
Committee"

ST. MICHAEL'S CHAPEL BECOMES INDEPENDENT

Meeting of vestry, Thursday Eve, February 20, 1896, 7:45 p.m., at residence of John Moses, 137 Greenwood Avenue.

At a duly convened meeting of the congregation of St. Michael's Chapel held on Ash Wednesday evening, February 19, 1896, the following resolutions were unanimously adopted.

Whereas the Mission Church of St. Michael's Parish, known as St. Michael's Chapel, has now for some 20 years been under the care of the Mother Church; and whereas it was the intention in the establishment of this Chapel, that as soon as it became able, it should assume its own responsibilities and become independent; and whereas, the time seems now to have come arrived, when with the continuance of the generous assistance

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which has been rendered us in the past by Mr. Samuel K. Wilson, we may venture to seek such independence; be it therefore

Resolved, we do hereby request the vestry and wardens of St. Michael's Church, if it seems wise to them, to take such steps as will enable us to make application to the Bishop and Standing Committee of the Diocese, for the establishment of a new parish in this City: and be it further

Resolved, in making this request, we express our appreciation of the great debt and obligation which we owe to St. Michael's Church and our gratitude for the same, also our filial affection towards her, which we trust will be strengthened, rather than weakened by the larger life and responsibilities towards which we look forward.

MILTON A. CRAFT	HENRY ROBINSON
JAMES WALKLETT	HARRY KLAGG, JR.
GEO. COCHRAN	CHAS. BRADBURY
	<i>For the congregation.</i>

On motion of Mr. Moses, resolutions were adopted, consenting and approving such action and agreeing to transfer the chapel property to the new parish as soon as it shall be regularly organized and incorporated; and that a copy of the resolutions be forwarded by the Rector and Secretary of the vestry to the Chapel Congregation.

CANONICAL CONSENT GIVEN TO FORMATION OF GRACE CHURCH

Meeting of the vestry, Thursday Afternoon, August 6, 1896,
2:30 p.m.

A letter was read from Rev. Milton A. Craft, assistant minister dated August 3, 1896, in which he says, that the Bishop and Standing Committee of the Diocese having given their consent, the ecclesiastical organization of the parish of Grace Church was completed, and wardens and vestrymen elected, on May 27, 1896; upon which he tendered his resignation as Assistant Minister, upon which the vestry directed a letter to be forwarded to the Rev. Milton A. Craft (done under date of August 6) accepting his resignation and congratulating him on his faithful services, and as Rector of Grace Church, which now enters the Diocesan family, through a manifestation of his energy and ability.

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ANOTHER LEGACY

Meeting of vestry, May 7, 1896.

The Junior Warden reported that the wardens executed a release for Legacy of \$1,000 from the Estate of Mrs. Catherine M. Brearley, and received the money. (The money was left for the Sunday School.)

CHAPTER XXXIII

THE RECTORATE OF THE REVEREND W. STROTHER JONES

1896-1908

COMPLETE RENOVATION OF THE CHURCH BUILDING

UNDER date July 31, 1896, "the Rev. W. Strother Jones, D.D., of Fairfield, Conn., unanimously elected Rector."

The election was accepted by Dr. Jones, and he began his ministry on Sunday, October 4, 1896, at which time he was installed in his office by Bishop Scarborough.

State Gazette

Monday, October 5, 1896

Rev. Dr. Strother Jones, the new Rector of St. Michael's Church on North Warren Street, was installed in his office yesterday morning and preached his first sermon. The congregation was small owing to the rain and snow that fell in showers all the morning, but those who attended saw the "Office of Institution" performed, a ceremony that Dr. Jones told a reporter was rarely witnessed these days except in New Jersey.

The ceremony requires the participation of the Bishop, the rector and two vestrymen. Bishop Scarborough was therefore assisted by Samuel K. Wilson and James C. DeCou. The feature of the ceremony is the passing to rector the keys of the Church as a symbol of his authority and the pledging of the support and assistance of the vestry. For the rest it consists of prayers and responsive readings.

After the sermon Bishop Scarborough stepped forward and congratulated the congregation upon the acquisition of such a minister.

Dr. Jones and Mrs. Jones are both natives of Virginia. Dr. Jones comes to Trenton from Fairfield, Conn. His great-great-grandfather was Chief Justice Marshall of the U. S. Supreme Court. He is a graduate of Washington and Lee University in 1872. He was graduated from the Alexandria, Virginia, Theo-

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logical Seminary in 1876. He received the degree of Doctor of Divinity in 1893.

After being ordained he served two years in Fauquier County. Then he was called to the handsome Church of St. Thomas's parish, Baltimore County, Md. On Mr. Lockwood's death after four years he became rector and served as such for six years. In October 1888 he accepted a unanimous call to St. Paul's, Fairfield.

DR. JONES SERVES FOR TWELVE YEARS

The new rector was to exercise a ministry of twelve years in St. Michael's, and to win the esteem and goodwill of all classes by his genial, warm-hearted manner, and sincere devotion to his work. A southern man of a distinguished ancestry, a courtly gentleman of the old school, simple and unostentatious, he united qualities of heart and brain in such a measure as to attach to himself many strong friends both within and without the parish. Forcible as a preacher, and sympathetic in the discharge of his pastoral duties, his career in Trenton was marked by a successful, if unobtrusive Christian leadership.

During his rectorate, extensive renovations of the church were undertaken, costing some \$8000, and by the growth of the parish in strength and membership.

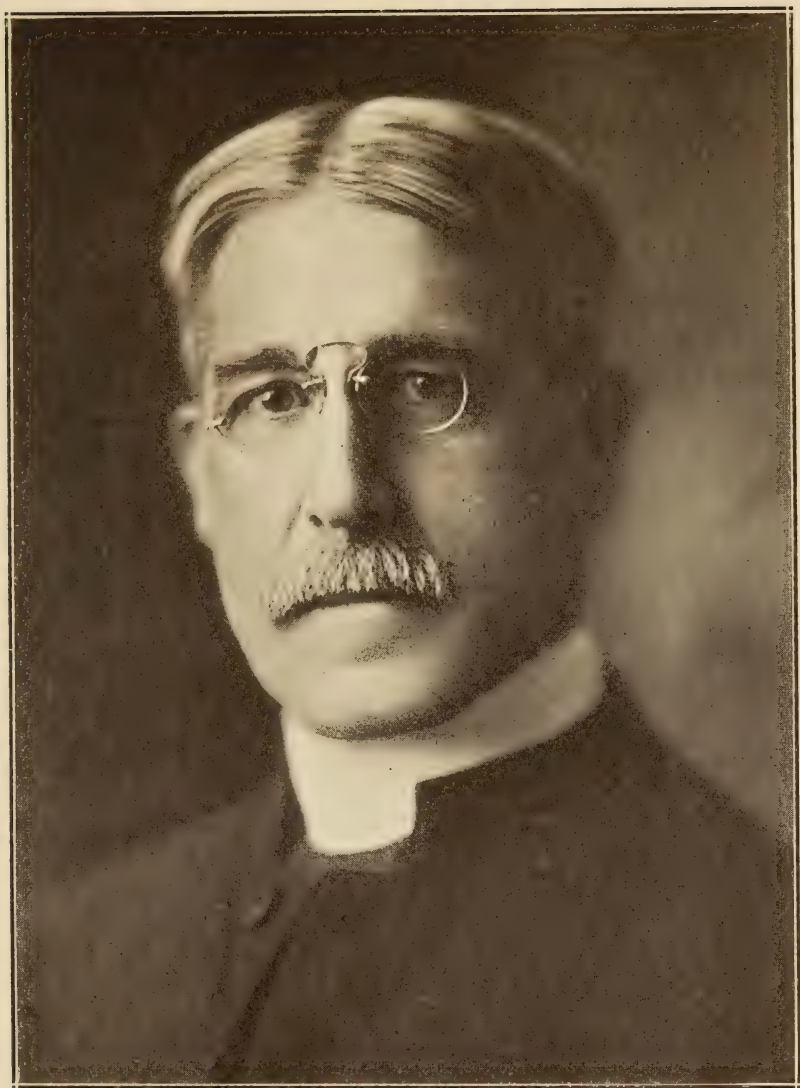
GRAVES OF NOTABLE PEOPLE IN CHURCH-YARD

St. Michael's Church graveyard contains the graves of many persons formerly distinguished in the city, and in the state, and has always been regarded as one of the objects of patriotic interest by those visiting Trenton.

A request for permission to decorate the graves of noted persons was made on behalf of the "Daughters of the Revolution," and acceded to by the vestry.

Meeting of Vestry (special), Sunday morning after service, November 21, 1897.

The Daughters of the Revolution through Mrs. Oliphant wish to designate the graves of any noted persons in St. Michael's Church-yard and decorate them with flowers or other appropriate emblems. Approved.



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DIED 1918

RECTOR 1896-1908

RECTORATE OF STROTHER JONES

ST. MICHAEL'S GIVES AWAY A BELL

February 6, 1898, 8 p.m.

The Rector announced the receipt of (a letter from) a friend of the Theological Seminary of Virginia stating that institution was in great need of a bell; and he would suggest the wisdom of presenting to that school the bell formerly used by our congregation but for several years laid aside.

Therefore on motion of Mr. Scudder the bell was so presented.

MEMORIAL GIFTS FOR THE CHURCH

Under date November 9, 1898, Mrs. Robert F. Stockton, one of the parishioners of St. Michael's, made an offer through the rector of certain memorial articles, consisting of brass cross for the altar, and two brass vases for flowers. The rector in making the proposed gift known to the vestry, stated that personally he had no objection to the use of such memorials, but "wished the judgment of the vestry, as stated on their reception or rejection." The vestry voted unanimously to accept Mrs. Stockton's gift.

ECHO OF THE GENERAL CONVENTION OF 1801

October 12, 1899.

The rector reported that Miss Rachel Hooper had presented a framed portrait of the Rt. Rev. Benjamin Moore, D.D., who was the first and only Bishop ever consecrated in St. Michael's Church, A.D. 1801. Accepted with resolution of thanks and appreciation.

A LEGACY FROM MISS EMMA M. TITUS

November 2, 1899.

The Rector announced the receipt of the \$5000 legacy left by the will of Miss Emma M. Titus.

A CABINET ORGAN PRESENTED

April 8, 1901 (*Easter Monday*).

Mrs. M. A. Whitaker presented the parish with a handsome cabinet organ, to be used in the Chapel of the Parish House. Resolutions of an expression of high appreciation were passed to Mrs. Whitaker.

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STILL ANOTHER LEGACY

June 2, 1903.

The senior warden reported that a Legacy of one Thousand Dollars left to the Church by Mrs. Elizabeth L. Walburg had been received.

PLANS FOR EXTENSIVE RENOVATIONS

For some time plans looking to improvements and renovations of the church building had been maturing in the mind of the vestry, and in 1905 they came to a head by the appointment of a committee to take the matter in charge. The work which was much more extensive and costly than had originally been contemplated, was begun in January 1906, and completed in the late Spring of the same year. The cost was \$8,119.25.

The following account of the changes and improvements is from the *Sunday Advertiser* printed when the work was practically finished:

Trenton Sunday Advertiser

May 13, 1906.

ST. MICHAEL'S IS NEARLY COMPLETED

The work of improvement at St. Michael's Protestant Episcopal Church is nearing completion and the edifice will be ready for occupancy within a few weeks. . . .

The organ-loft in the front of the Church has been torn out and new heavy oaken doors will replace the old doors at the entrance. . . .

The side walls are being decorated in handsome Gothic designs. The ceiling is stained in a combination of light and dark oak. The aisles, vestibule, and the space in front of the Chancel rail are being tiled in mosaic, the design being similar to the costly Italian tiling. . . . The ceiling and side walls are studded with electric bulbs. . . .

The old windows of the Church have been removed and replaced by handsome new windows of gothic design. Judge G. D. W. Vroom is having a memorial window put in. . . .

AN OLD SLAB PLACED ON THE OUTSIDE WALL

February 7, 1907.

The Rector stated that the slab, bearing the names of the Coxé family, who gave the property on which now stands (the



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Church) had been set aside during the Church improvements; and that it had recently been suggested it should be placed in the wall on the outside of the Church.

On motion it was ordered that a Committee of three be appointed to act in conjunction with the Rector, to place the slab on the south side of the tower. The Rector appointed Messrs. De Cou, Vroom and Bugbee as said Committee.

The Committee was also authorized to have the General Pike tablet renovated.

THE REV. DR. STROTHER JONES RESIGNS

June 17, 1908.

The resignation of the rector, W. Strother Jones, was received and accepted, effective September 1, 1908. The senior and junior wardens were authorized to notify the rector of the acceptance of his resignation, in a suitable and proper manner, etc.

LETTER OF THE COMMITTEE TO DR. JONES

Trenton, N. J., June 19, 1908.

REV. W. STROTHER JONES

Rector of St. Michael's Church

REVEREND AND DEAR SIR:

The undersigned have been instructed to state to you that your resignation as Rector of St. Michael's Church which you placed in the hands of the Secretary of the vestry was read at a meeting of the vestry held on the seventeenth instant and accepted to take effect in accordance with your expressed wish at the first day of September next ensuing.

After nearly twelve years of earnest labor on your part in the parish, during which time the most friendly personal relations between yourself, and, as we believe, every member of this vestry, and of the congregation of St. Michael's Church, have been sustained; we have come to the point in time when our paths diverge.

We express to you our deep regret at this separation, and we entertain the hope that your efforts in the more extended field to which you go, may be rewarded with such ample results, under the Divine blessing, as belongs to earnest, zealous and faithful Christian endeavour.

The vestry for themselves and the people whom you have so long served, convey to you their good wishes for the welfare of

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you and yours; and they pray that under God's good providence, both you and your family may be the recipients of long life, prosperity and happiness.

Sincerely yours,

JAMES C. DE COU

E. F. CARR

Wardens

FUTURE CAREER AND DEATH OF DR. JONES

The Rev. Dr. Jones went to Erie, Pa., where he had accepted a call to become rector of St. Paul's Church, one of the most important parishes in what afterwards became the Diocese of Erie. He remained there until 1914, when he went to St. Thomas' Church, New York, to become assistant minister under the rector, the Rev. Ernest M. Stires, D.D.

Dr. Jones was a deputy to the General Convention of 1904 and 1907 from New Jersey and in 1913 from the Diocese of Erie. He also served for a period as president of the standing committee in that diocese.

He died in Alexandria, Va., August 19, 1918.

CHAPTER XXXIV
THE RECTORATE OF
THE REVEREND T. BOND HOLLAND

1909-1911

IMMEDIATELY following the resignation of the Rev. W. Strother Jones, D.D., and previous to the calling of his successor, a proposal was made to sell the rectory.

June 17, 1908.

On motion of Mr. Vroom it was

Resolved to proceed at once with reference to offering the Rectory for sale.

July 1, 1908.

Mr. Charles L. Patterson, on Committee of Rectory, stated that he had received an offer from Dr. M. W. Reddan of \$12,000 for the Rectory No. 114 West State Street, also a cash deposit of \$100 subject to the approval of the vestry.

The offer was accepted and the proper Church authorities were authorized to execute a deed for the property.

November 5, 1908.

The senior warden reported that in compliance with the resolution of the vestry adopted July 1908, the Rectory No. 114 West State Street was sold to Dr. M. W. Reddan for \$12,000 and possession given September 1, 1908.

RESOLUTIONS ON THE DEATH OF BISHOP
EDWARD JENNINGS KNIGHT

November 19, 1908.

Mr. Vroom moved that a committee of three be appointed to prepare a suitable resolution in relation to the death of the late Rt. Rev. Edward Jennings Knight, Bishop of Western Colorado, expressive of the feelings of the members of St. Michael's Church. Carried. Mr. Vroom and the wardens were appointed such Committee.

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December 2, 1908.

Mr. Vroom (for the Committee) presented the following minute in relation to the death of Bishop Knight, which was approved by the vestry:

The vestry of St. Michael's Church of Trenton feel that it is a duty full of personal sorrow to record their high estimate of the virtues and worth of the late Rt. Reverend Edward J. Knight, Bishop of Western Colorado.

Almost the entire clerical life of Bishop Knight was passed in the City of Trenton, and none appreciated and knew better than those associated with him here, his earnest careful and conscientious work, the great success which attended it and which commanded the love, admiration and respect, not only of his Church but of all Christian people.

His elevation to the Bishopric, while gratifying his friends, by reason of the great honor conferred upon him, still as it caused his removal from Trenton, was felt to be a still greater loss to the community; and his sudden decease at the very threshold of what promised a glorious career in the Church, has created a loss that cannot be estimated.

Resolved, That this vestry tender their sincere sympathy to the family and relatives of the deceased and a copy of this minute be transmitted to them.

Bishop Knight was a son-in-law of Bishop Scarborough, having married his daughter, Katherine, January 3, 1897. He was rector of Christ Church, Trenton, from 1891 until 1907, when he was chosen bishop of the Missionary Jurisdiction of Western Colorado. He was consecrated to his office in Christ Church, Trenton, December 19, 1907. He died suddenly in Colorado November 15, 1908.

THE REV. T. BOND HOLLAND, M.D., CHOSEN RECTOR

On the report of a committee, consisting of Messrs. Carr, Baker and Bugbee, appointed for the purpose of finding a suitable rector for the parish, the vestry, January 26, 1909, unanimously elected the Rev. T. Bond Holland, M.D., then a curate in St. George's Church, New York City. The Rev. Dr. Holland accepted the call, and so notified the vestry January 29, 1909, stating that he would assume his duties the following Ash Wednesday, February 24, 1909.



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RECTOR 1909-1911



G. BRADSHAW

A CORNER OF ST. MICHAEL'S CHURCHYARD

FROM AN ETCHING BY G. BRADSHAW

RECTORATE OF T. BOND HOLLAND

State Gazette

Monday, February 1, 1909

He (Dr. Holland) was born about 35 years ago in St. Louis, where his father, Rev. Samuel T. Holland, D.D., distinguished as a clergyman and as a writer is Rector of St. George's Church.

Dr. Thomas B. Holland is a graduate of the University of Michigan, which conferred upon him the degree of bachelor of arts, and that of doctor of medicine. He was graduated from the General Theological Seminary in New York on May 30, 1906.

State Gazette

Wednesday, February 24, 1909

HEARTY WELCOME EXTENDED TO REV. DR. T. BOND HOLLAND

Members of the congregation of St. Michael's P.E. Church last evening tendered a reception to the new rector, Rev. T. Bond Holland, D.D., who will conduct his first service at 11 o'clock this morning. Notwithstanding the heavy downpour of rain, there was a large number in attendance at the reception, including the clergy of the Episcopal diocese of this City. Bishop Scarborough owing to the inclement weather was unable to attend the reception. . . .

A NEW RECTORY PURCHASED

The old rectory having been sold, it was important to provide another, and consequently on the recommendation of the committee having that matter in charge, the property belonging to John Garwood, 320 West State Street, was bought, the price paid being \$7,500. The new rector proceeded to occupy the house as his home.

ST. MICHAEL'S A FAVORITE PLACE OF MEETING OF PATRIOTIC SOCIETIES

St. Michael's, as an old colonial church, is a favored place selected for holding the religious services of patriotic societies. The following is a letter of thanks for the use of the same.

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NEW JERSEY SOCIETY SONS OF THE REVOLUTION
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY
WILLIAM LIBBEY

Princeton, New Jersey
March 18th, 1910.

MY DEAR DR. HOLLAND:

A most cordial vote of thanks was passed at their meeting yesterday to you for your kindness in taking charge of the Religious Services on February 22nd. We appreciate your courtesy and enjoyed the occasion very fully.

The board also requested that you transmit to the vestry the thanks of the Society for the use of the Church.

With kind regards, I am

Yours very truly

(signed) WILLIAM LIBBEY, *Secretary*.

RESIGNATION OF DR. HOLLAND

The stay of Dr. Holland in Trenton was a short one, lasting only a little more than two years. His relations with the vestry and the congregation were always cordial and when he announced his departure, great regret was expressed in all quarters. Dr. Holland was a ready and interesting preacher, a good administrator, and much in demand as a speaker by various societies and organizations.

October 3, 1911.

The Rector announced that he had accepted a call to the Rectorship of St. John's Church, Brooklyn, New York, and tendered his resignation. The resignation was accepted to take effect as desired by the Rector, October 16, 1911. The letter of resignation was dated September 27, 1911.

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Monday, October 4, 1911

Rev. T. Bond Holland tendered his resignation as Rector of St. Michael's Church at a special meeting of the vestry held at noon yesterday in the parish house, to accept the rectorship of St. John's Episcopal Church of Brooklyn. He will present his farewell sermon on Sunday October 15, 1911.

Dr. Holland is still (1925) serving as rector at St. John's Church, Brooklyn, New York.

CHAPTER XXXV

BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCHES, SERIES C

1860-1925

THE authorities depended upon for these sketches are substantially the same as those given for "Series B," except that in very many instances the material has been furnished by relatives or, where the parties are living, directly by themselves in letters or personal interviews.

ABBOTT, TIMOTHY—*Vestry 1877-1882*. The son of Joseph Abbott, was born near Trenton June 3, 1809, and received his education in the country school, and in the Friends' School in this City. He was employed for a time in the drug and hardware store of Samuel Paxson on Warren Street, and subsequently held a similar position in Philadelphia. In 1835 he returned to Trenton and bought out his old employer. In 1838 he entered the employ of the Mechanics Bank, becoming cashier in 1840, and president in 1852. He resigned after a year's service to associate himself with Cooper & Hewitt, of which firm he was made vice-president. In 1870, he withdrew from the firm to become again president of the Mechanics Bank. Mr. Abbott took an active part in organizing The Trenton Savings Fund Society, and was a member of the Board of Managers for nearly thirty-nine years previous to his death which occurred November 20, 1882. In connection with St. Michael's Church Mr. Abbott was the teacher of the Young Men's Bible Class.

ATKINSON, WILLIAM HAVENS—*Vestry 1918-*. Born at Crosswicks, New Jersey, September 28, 1863. Father, Jacob Lee Atkinson; mother, Marinda Havens. Educated public schools. At death of father left school to enter business with his brother, operating a stage line between Crosswicks and Bordentown. Connected with the Trenton postoffice for thirteen years, leaving in 1903 to become superintendent of Riverview cemetery. In 1912 elected secretary and treasurer of the Riverview Cemetery Corporation, which position he now occupies. In 1884 he married Lillian Ayres of Crosswicks. To this marriage were born Ethel, Howard, and Lillian. His wife died in 1909. Remarried in 1911, Emma Virginia Simmons, of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. He is Past Master of Mercer Masonic Lodge and was an organizer of the Rotary Club of Trenton in 1914.

BAKER, CHARLES HENRY—*Vestry 1901-*. Son of Charles R. and Mary C. Baker, was born in Trenton August 13, 1862. He was educated at the State Model School and the Trenton Academy. He entered the employ of Randall Rickey, the druggist, in 1878, at the same time attending lectures at

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the Philadelphia College of Pharmacy from which he was graduated with honors in 1882. He continued in his profession as a chemist until 1888. He subsequently engaged in the manufacture of brick under the firm name of Fell and Baker. In 1891 he organized the Egyptian Pottery Company for the manufacture of sanitary ware. He became later manager and part proprietor of the *State Gazette*. He was elected receiver of taxes in 1895 and was County Clerk 1902-1908. He has held many other positions of trust and influence. He married Leonora A. Fell, daughter of Christian and Mary Fell. He is a member of the present vestry (1925).

BLACKFAN, OGDEN WILKINSON—*Vestry 1859-1872*. Was born in Bucks County, Pennsylvania, January 14, 1826. He was a coal, wood and lumber merchant in Trenton. He was a director of the Mechanics National Bank of Trenton 1867-1870, director People's Fire Insurance Company 1865-1868 and president of the Board of Trade 1872. He died in Trenton March 28, 1873. His widow Mary Agnes died in 1906. A daughter, Hannah, married to Robert Field Stockton is living in Elizabeth, N.J. Another daughter Eva the first wife of Charles E. Hewitt, died in 1908. Other daughters deceased were Julia, Mary Anna Harris, and Agnes.

BLACKWELL, JONATHAN HUNT—*Vestry 1897-1919*. The son of Stephen and Francenia (Hunt) Blackwell, was born at Hopewell, Mercer County, December 20, 1841. At the age of eighteen he began his mercantile training in his father's store at Hopewell and remained there until he attained his majority. He then entered the employment of William Dolton, wholesale dealer in groceries. Subsequently he engaged in business in New York, but returned to Trenton in 1864 and formed a partnership with his former employer, William Dolton, which business he continued after the death of Mr. Dolton under the name of J. H. Blackwell and Sons. In 1873 he was elected a member of Trenton Common Council serving for three years, and in the succeeding year was elected to the New Jersey Senate, being the youngest member of that body in point of age. In 1878 he was appointed Commissioner to the Paris Exposition by Governor McClellan. He was appointed one of three commissioners for the erection of the new City Hall of Trenton. He was appointed State treasurer in January 1885 by Governor Leon Abbett. He was a director of the First National Bank, also of the Standard Fire Insurance Company, Mercer Hospital, the Trenton Railroad Company and prominent in many other enterprises. He married October 5, 1865, Susan Weart, daughter of Spencer Weart of Hopewell, Mercer County, New Jersey. He died at his home in Trenton in November 1919. Mrs. Blackwell died in 1916. There were four children: Stephen Weart lost in the Titanic disaster, 1912, Clara May William Jenree and Henry Clayton.

BLODGETT, WILLIAM LOAMI—*Vestry 1909-1919*. Was the eldest child and only son of Watson and Ruth (Smith) Blodgett. He was born in Broad Brook near Hartford, Connecticut, June 7, 1862. He came to Trenton in 1882, and took a position with the Trenton Rubber Company, afterwards associating himself with the Hamilton Rubber Company of which he became the



NEWTON ALBERT KENDALL BUGBEE

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secretary. He married November 27, 1884, in Danbury, Connecticut, Mary C. Altenbrandt, daughter of Leonard and Elizabeth Altenbrandt of that city.

BODINE, JOSEPH L.—*Vestry* 1883–1888. Physician, born Pemberton, New Jersey, June 26, 1839, son of Daniel Budd and Elizabeth (Lamb) Bodine. A.M. Princeton College 1860. M.D. University of Pennsylvania 1865. Married Frances Davis October 5, 1874. Practised medicine at Trenton, New Jersey. Chief of Staff, St. Francis Hospital, and consulting physician New Jersey State Prison. Died January 2, 1889. A son is Joseph L. Bodine, judge U.S. District Court with residence in Trenton and a daughter is Elizabeth D. Bodine.

BUGBEE, NEWTON ALBERT KENDALL—*Warden* 1918– ; *Vestry* 1903– . Was born at Minneapolis, Minnesota, April 26, 1876. He is the son of Alvin Newton and Lucy Kendall Bugbee. At about the age of twelve years he moved, with his parents, to Templeton, Massachusetts, where he attended the public schools of that town, graduating from the High School in 1894. At the age of eighteen he started his business career at the Edge Moor Bridge Works, Wilmington, Delaware, and studying engineering at night school, became a member of the engineering force of that plant. In August 1895 he came to Trenton, and when the United States Steel Corporation took over this plant in 1904 he resigned his position and formed The Newton A. K. Bugbee Co., Inc., structural iron work contractors, which furnishes a large part of the structural steel in this district. He is a director of the Mechanics National Bank of Trenton, president of the Hanover Trust Co., and a manager of the Trenton Savings Fund Society. He is also president of the Liberty Surety Bond Insurance Co., and of the McKinley Memorial Hospital. He was a candidate for governor on the Republican ticket in 1919. Mr. Bugbee was chosen in 1913 as State chairman of the Republican State Committee, and served for six years. He was elected State Comptroller January 20, 1917, and reelected for a fifth term in February, 1926. He is prominent in the Masonic Order, having been potentate of Crescent Temple, and is a 33rd Degree Mason. He married October 9, 1900, Florence H. Toms, daughter of Charles and Salina H. Toms, and a granddaughter of the late William Hancock, a member of the vestry 1881–1890. They have three children, Jesse Albert, born November 27, 1903, Catharine Toms, born March 20, 1906, and Albert Kendall, born August 27, 1913.

CARR, ELIAS F.—*Vestry* 1899–1912; 1916–1918; *Warden* 1902–1912; 1916–1918. Was a native of New York State. He was educated principally at Troy University and Union College, graduating from the latter institution in 1864. He came to Trenton and took a position in the State Normal School in 1876, being head professor of mathematics for thirty-five years when he was retired on a pension. He was the composer of an "Ode to New Jersey," popularly known as "Jerseyland." He died in Trenton August 7, 1918.

COOK, EDMUND DUNHAM—*Vestry* 1900. Was born in Trenton, August 12, 1868. His boyhood was spent in Princess Anne, Maryland, where he was

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educated. He joined his elder brother, George R. Cook, deceased 1926, in developing the Trenton Oil-Cloth and Linoleum Company, and the Standard Inlaid Manufacturing Company. Both of the enterprises were highly successful. Mr. Cook was actively identified as an official with other important business concerns and institutions, including the Hamilton Rubber Manufacturing Company, the Acme Rubber Manufacturing Company and the Stephen Ballard Rubber Company of New York City. He was a director of the Trenton Trust and Safe Deposit Company, of Mercer Hospital, and the Mercer Trust Company. At the time of his death he was president of the Trenton Chamber of Commerce. Mr. Cook was prominent in club and Masonic circles, and a generous giver of his time and substance to church, Y.M.C.A. and other philanthropic objects. He died April 19, 1909, as the result of injuries received from the fall off a horse. A sketch of his life with portrait and resolutions was published as a memorial by the Trenton Chamber of Commerce. He married April 5, 1893, Margaret Parsons, who with their five children survived him: Charlotte, married Allen Caryl Bigelow; Ruth Joyce, married Samuel Leslie Tattersall; Edmund Dunham, Jr., married Katharine G. Mayor; George Rea, 3rd; Margaret Eva. Mr. Cook's widow, Margaret Parsons Cook, married as her second husband, Charles E. Hewitt, of Trenton.

COOPER, JAMES R., M.D.—*Vestry 1894-1899; 1920-*. Born at Richboro, Bucks County, Pennsylvania, November 4, 1863, was graduated from the Jefferson Medical College in 1885, and from the Hahnemann Medical College in 1886. He subsequently entered upon the practice of his profession in Trenton. On June 4, 1887, he married Virginia B. Van Horn of Hardley, Pennsylvania. He is still actively engaged in the practice of medicine.

DAVIES, SAMUEL BERNAIRD—*Vestry 1926-*. Born May 27, 1885, Jerusalem, Ohio. Father, John Wesley Davies; mother, Nettie Grant. Educated in public schools, and Wheeling College, Wheeling, West Virginia. Now secretary and treasurer of M and D Search Co.; also treasurer of Wm. C. Landalt, Inc., realty firm. Director of Loyal Building and Loan Association, Master of Loyal Lodge F. and A. M. No. 181; also 32nd degree Mason and member of Crescent Temple A.A.O.N.M.S. Assistant superintendent of St. Michael's Church School. Married August 26, 1911, Harriett Mary Van Hise; has one daughter Grace Ross.

DECOU, JAMES CLARK—*Warden 1891-1917; Vestry 1868-1917*. Was born at Clarksville near Princeton, November 14, 1839. When the family removed to Trenton he attended the Trenton Academy. He studied pharmacy under Dr. John R. S. Barnes a well-known apothecary of that day and subsequently purchased the business forming a partnership with Charles H. Weville. Their place of business was on the south side of East State street between Warren and Broad. Afterwards Mr. DeCou moved to a store on the north side of the street adjoining the old State Gazette building where he remained until 1887 when he retired from active business. The DeCous were of Quaker stock, but during the rectorship of the Rev. Samuel Clements he joined St. Michael's Church. He married Martha Hinsdale Butler of Phila-



JAMES CLARKE DE COU

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delphia. He served in the Vestry of St. Michael's Church for nearly fifty years and for most of that time was also superintendent of the Sunday School. He was a delegate to the Diocesan Convention of 1874 which elected Bishop Scarborough and also the only lay delegate in the diocese who likewise attended the Convention of 1914 when his successor Bishop Matthews was chosen. He died September 21, 1917, in the seventy-eighth year of his age. In the church a tablet erected to his memory was unveiled at the service on Sunday December 26, 1920. Mr. DeCou was survived by three sisters Annie E., Mary H., and S. Ella DeCou.

ENGLISH, AMBROSE W.—*Vestry 1873-1880; 1885-1886*. Born October 24, 1819, resided in the city of Trenton all his life. He married Miss Sarah E. Hancock, September 28, 1843. There were three children born, namely, Viola, Mary and Earl. Mr. English was a brick manufacturer. His wife was a devoted member of the parish and a great worker in the various societies during her life-time. He died October 29, 1888.

FUNK, ALFRED C.—*Vestry 1917-* . Born Cheltham, Philadelphia County, Pennsylvania, January 27, 1867, son of William S. and Angeline C. Funk. Attended Bryant & Stratton Business College, Philadelphia, Pa. Engaged in the Steel Business in a clerical position in 1889 with the A. and P. Roberts & Company, Pencoyd, Pennsylvania. After five years he was transferred to the Company's Plant as General Manager of one of the Rolling Mills. In the year 1901 was transferred to Trenton, New Jersey, as Manager of the American Bridge Co., holding the same position at this time. Married November 19, 1891, to Miss Emily Underwood, Bronx, New York City. They have one son and three daughters and three grand-children.

GALT, JAMES HENRY—*Vestry 1919-* . Was born April 7, 1880, in Columbia, Fluvanna County, Virginia. He was graduated at the Virginia Polytechnic Institute, Blacksburg, Virginia, receiving the degrees of Bachelor of Science and Mechanical Engineer. He is Assistant Engineer of Distribution, Southern Division, Public Service Electric and Gas Company. His parents were Thomas Calquhoun and Sarah Elizabeth Siegfried Galt.

GILL, ALBERT LIVINGSTON—*Warden 1913-1915; Vestry 1892-1901; 1903-1915*. Was the son of Bennington and Sarah Newell Gill. He was born May 15, 1850 on the old Pearson farm near White Horse. He was educated in the Trenton Academy and was associated for many years with his father in business at the Agricultural works on Carroll street. He died December 11, 1915.

GINNELLEY, EDWIN HELLYER—*Vestry 1920-* . Son of James T. and Sarah F. Hellyer Ginnelley, was born at Fairfax Court House, Virginia September 9, 1864. He attended the public schools of Virginia until seventeen years old, then the Fairfax Academy at Fairfax Court House, Virginia, for two years. After that he entered the Dental Department of the National University, Washington, D.C. (which has since become the George Washington University), graduating from that institution on May 8, 1886. On August

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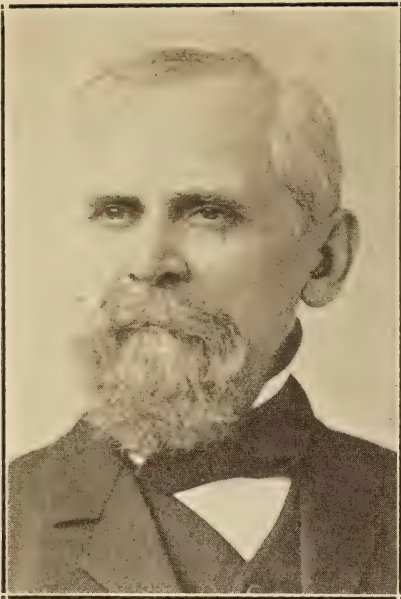
1, 1887, he came to Trenton, New Jersey, and immediately began the practice of dentistry. On August 28, 1894, he married Mabel Lois Painter, daughter of John and Calebina Painter. In 1903 he was elected a member of the Trenton Common Council from the thirteenth ward, and was re-elected in 1905. He was president of that body in 1906 and 1907. In 1908 he was elected a member of the House of Assembly and re-elected in 1909. In 1921 he was chosen church treasurer, and still holds that office. He is a 33rd degree Mason and has been very prominent in the Scottish Rite and was the first potentate of Crescent Temple. (For his masonic activities see Appendix N: 2).

GRANT, EDWARD INGLETON, M.D.—*Vestry 1860-1870*. Son of William and Martha Roe Grant. Born in Trenton, November 11, 1812; died in Trenton March 13, 1871. Preliminary education received in Trenton, probably the Old Trenton Academy. Graduated Princeton College 1833. Read medicine under the praeceptorship of Dr. James T. Clarke of Trenton and after attending lectures received his Medical Degree from the University of Pennsylvania in 1837. Located at once in Trenton where he resided and pursued his vocation till his death. Dr. Grant in 1839 married Mary Westcott Roe of Woodbury, North Carolina. Four children were born of this marriage.

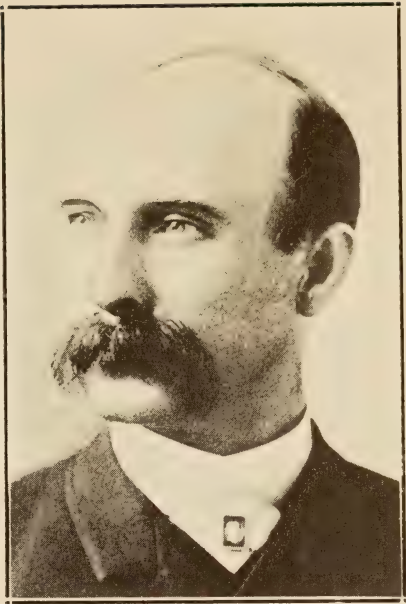
Dr. Grant was survived by his widow and two daughters Mary and Martha; the latter married the Rev. Christopher W. Knauff, Rector of St. Michael's Episcopal Church 1866-1873.

HANCOCK, WILLIAM—*Vestry 1881-1890*. Was born in England, March 25, 1823, died in Trenton August 18, 1890. He came to this country with his parents Daniel and Sarah Clark Hancock and three brothers. The family settled in Lowell, Mass., where young Hancock was apprenticed in a woollen mill. When he was twenty-one years of age he became superintendent of a mill at Broad Brook, Connecticut, and subsequently held similar positions at Holyoke, Massachusetts, and Winnetauk, Connecticut. He removed to Trenton in 1872 and became superintendent of S. K. Wilson's woollen mill where he remained until his death. He married August 30, 1846 Catherine Cammett Smith. The couple had two daughters, Sarah Eliza, who was married to William E. Bissell and Salina Austin to Charles Toms. A grandson is William E. Bissell, Jr., and a granddaughter, Mrs. Newton A. K. Bugbee (Florence H. Toms). In 1924, a three-manual pipe organ to the memory of William Hancock was placed in St. Michael's Church by Mr. and Mrs. Newton A. K. Bugbee.

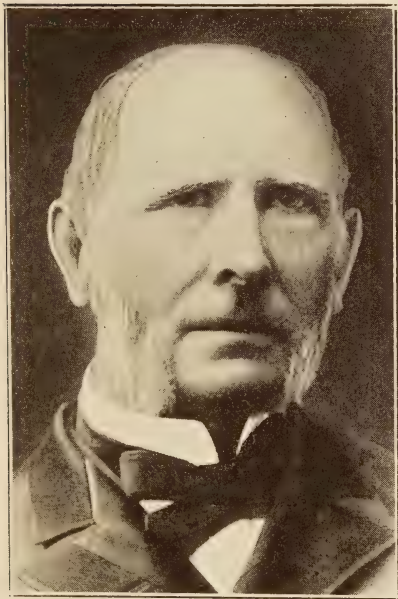
HENDRICKSON, FRANKLIN—*Vestry 1913-1918; 1920*. Was born in Ewing Township, the son of Jacob Hendrickson and Mary Hough Hendrickson, attended the public school in Ewing, and afterwards the old Trenton Academy and the Rider & Allen Business College. His first position was with the Trenton postoffice and subsequently he entered the employment of the late Clark Fisher at the Eagle Anvil Works, where he remained for twenty-seven years, becoming after the death of Mr. Fisher, the General Superintendent of the Works. He severed his connection with the anvil works in 1915. In 1919 he was appointed manager of the Trenton Clearing House, succeeding the late Thomas S. Chambers.



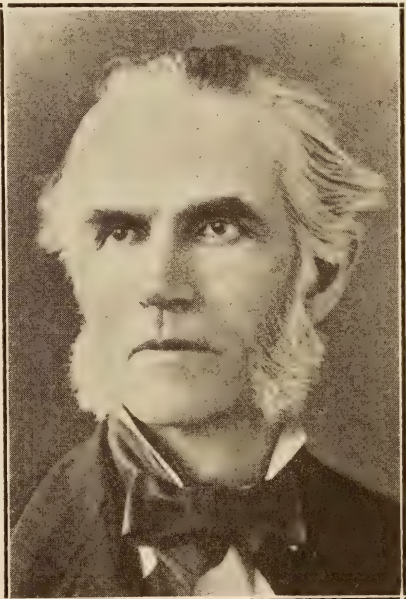
SAMUEL K. WILSON
1819-1900
VESTRY 1860-1900



JOHN MOSES
1832-1902
VESTRY 1871-1901



WILLIAM HANCOCK
1823-1890
VESTRY 1881-1890



JAMES MURPHY
1825-1891
VESTRY 1862-1891

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HEWITT, CHARLES—*Vestry 1859-1879*. Was born in New York City, December 18, 1824. He was a brother of Abram S. Hewitt at one time Mayor of New York. Though not like his brother a graduate of Columbia College, that institution conferred upon him the honorary degree of M.A. as a recognition of his merits as a scholar. In 1845 he came to Trenton as bookkeeper and cashier in the iron-works of Peter Cooper. Subsequently he learned the practical business of manufacturing and became the general manager of the Trenton Iron Works, afterwards known as the New Jersey Steel and Iron Company. He invented many appliances and methods which were adopted here and elsewhere. During the Civil War he invented a process of rolling gun barrels which proved so successful that rifles were produced at the works known as Trenton-Springfield rifles and were largely used. Mr. Hewitt held several important public offices. He was a member of the Common Council and president of the Board of Trade. In 1871 he was elected to represent Mercer County in the State Senate. He married in 1849, Miss Anna Conrad of Philadelphia. His widow and seven children survived him. His death occurred in the fifty-fifth year of his age.

HILSON, CLEVELAND—*Vestry 1884-1888*. Son of Charles and Jane Livingston, born Charleston, S.C., March 18, 1842, died Trenton, N.J., July 23, 1899. Married Matilda Emily Hunt, October 21, 1875. Prepared for Harvard University at Russell's Military Academy. Entered the United States Army at the outbreak of the Civil War and served as an officer with distinction until the close of the conflict. After the war he came to Trenton and was engaged in pottery industries. (For the children see Hunt Family biographical sketches Series "B".)

HOFF, JOHN DUNHAM—*Vestry 1900-1906*. Son of Charles Carter and Mary Dunham Hoff, was born in New Market, New Jersey, in 1840; during his boyhood the family moved to Rahway, New Jersey, where his father held the position of postmaster during the Civil War. In 1863 Mr. Hoff married Anna Freeland, daughter of John Freeland, Jr., of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania; for many years he was connected with the Mutual Benefit Life Insurance Company of Newark, and in 1884 moved his office and home to Trenton. His death occurred in 1906.

JOHNSON, THOMAS W.—*Vestry 1872-1893*. Was born in Jobstown, New Jersey, January 15, 1834. For twenty-five years he kept a grocery store at 15 West State Street. His wife was Emeline Merritt of Mount Holly. She was a devoted worker in St. Michael's Church for many years. Mr. Johnson died at his West State Street home March 8, 1894. He is buried in Riverview Cemetery, Trenton.

KIRBY, JOHN, M.D.—*Vestry 1889-1896*. Born near Swedesboro, New Jersey, September 13, 1826, died in Trenton, February 27, 1897, was a graduate of the University of Pennsylvania in 1852, and practised medicine in Salem, New Jersey, for nearly twenty-five years. Subsequently he came to Trenton and became one of the staff of the New Jersey State Hospital. His daughter, Katherine G., married in 1882 Dr. Charles P. Britton.

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McILVAINE, WILLIAM R.—*Warden 1872-1874; Vestry 1862-1867, 1871-1874*. Was born in Ewing township December 20, 1820. His father was Edward Shippen McIlvaine. He lived for the early part of his life at the family home in Ewing and subsequently in Trenton. He was appointed judge of the Court of Common Pleas of Mercer County and by reappointment served in that capacity three terms of five years each. He married in 1842, Christina, daughter of Jasper Scudder and Mary Silver Reeder, both descendants of the earliest settlers in these parts. He died January 13, 1875.

MOSES, JAMES—*Vestry 1880-1883*. Born in 1847, was a younger brother of John Moses. He came to Trenton about 1865 and bought the Mercer Pottery. He was a successful business man and made a large fortune, being especially fortunate in his real estate investments. He removed to New York in the later years of his life. He died in Spring Lake October 8, 1920, and was buried in Riverview Cemetery. His widow, Mary Macdonald of New Brunswick, and three daughters survive him.

MOSES, JOHN—*Warden 1901- ; Vestry 1871-1901*. Was born in County Tyrone, Ireland, Christmas Eve, 1832. He came to this country in 1850 when eighteen years of age. He first settled in Philadelphia where he secured a position in a mercantile house. He was a member of the famous Bible Class of Charles E. Lex. Later he went to the coal regions near Shamokin, Pennsylvania. In 1855 he came to Trenton and entered the employ of Henderson G. Scudder. He served in the Civil War, enlisting in Company H for a three months' period in 1861 and again for a nine months' period. In 1863 he returned to Trenton. A pioneer of the pottery industry in Trenton in company with Isaac Weatherly and Samuel K. Wilson he purchased the Glasgow Pottery which he made a successful enterprise. He was president of the Mechanics Bank for several years. He acquired a large fortune, but during a long illness by endorsements he lost most of it and died a poor man. Of the highest commercial integrity no one was more honored in business circles. He died January 21, 1902. He was survived by his widow (Olivia Gardner Forman) whom he married in St. Michael's Church in 1865, and several children. Mrs. Moses, still living at the age of eighty-seven, has been a continuous member of St. Michael's parish since 1844, possibly a record membership in point of years. The children are Frederick John, Walter, Arthur G., Helen Graham; Howard B., deceased, and Annie Foster, died in infancy. Arthur, Frederick and Walter are alumni of Princeton University. Arthur G. Moses served on the Vestry 1902-1908.

MURPHY, JAMES—*Warden 1873-1891; Vestry 1862-1891*. Was born in Trenton 1825, of parents who came from Ireland. He was a clerk in the postoffice for some years. At the time of his death in 1891, he held a position in the United States Mint in Philadelphia. His only surviving child is a daughter, Mrs. Sarah Jay. Recently a window was placed by her in the church to the memory of both her parents.

MURPHY, JOHN L.—*Vestry 1899-1900*. A brother of James Murphy was born in Trenton June 19, 1828. His parents came from Ireland. When ten

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years of age he entered the office of the *Weekly State Gazette* as errand boy and news carrier. Later he learned the printing trade, working for the firm of Sherman and Herron. In 1856 he became foreman of the Free Press office. When the paper suspended after six months he established a job office with Charles Bechtel as a partner and removed the plant to the building at the corner of State and Broad. Subsequently they purchased the *State Gazette*. In 1875 Mr. Murphy bought out the interest of his partner and conducted the business thenceforth by himself. He held the office of tax collector in the city of Trenton, to which he was twice elected and United States revenue assessor of the second district of New Jersey from 1868 until the office was abolished by act of Congress and its duties merged into those of Collector when he held that office until 1876 when he resigned. Mr. Murphy married Sarah B. Taylor, daughter of William and Mary C. Taylor of Penn's Manor, Pennsylvania. He died May 4, 1900. An aisle window to his memory and that of his wife Sarah Briggs Murphy, was placed in the chapel by their daughters Mary and Irene Murphy.

MYERS, WILLIAM STARR—*Vestry* 1921— . Professor of politics; born, Baltimore, Maryland, June 17, 1877; son of John Norris and Laura Virginia (Starr) Myers, B.A., University of North Carolina, 1897; studied Johns Hopkins, 1897-1900, Ph.D., 1900. Married Margaret Barr of Washington, D.C., June 8, 1910. Master of History, Gilman School, Baltimore, Maryland, 1900-1906; assistant professor and preceptor in history and politics, 1906-1918, professor of politics since 1918, Princeton University. Instructor history, University of Tennessee, summers 1911 and 1912; instructor history and politics, Johns Hopkins, summers 1913-1916 inclusive. Lecturer Army War College, Washington, D.C., since 1920. Author: *Maryland Constitution of 1864* (1901); *Self-Reconstruction of Maryland*, (1908), *Socialism and American Ideals* (1919), *American Democracy Today* (1924), *Fifty Years of the Prudential* (1926). Editor *Renouf's Outlines of General History* (1909), *McClellan's Mexican War Diary* (1917). On editorial staff *New York Journal of Commerce* at various times. Frequent contributor to magazines and other periodicals. Lecturer on historical and political subjects. Home, Princeton, New Jersey.

SADLER, WILBUR F., JR.—*Vestry* 1913-1916. Was born in Carlisle, Pennsylvania, November 4, 1871. He was graduated from Dickinson College in the class of 1890. Shortly after he became interested in the building of street railroads in Schuylkill County and other sections of Pennsylvania. In 1898 he came to Trenton and was instrumental in building and developing local trolley roads. He was a director and afterwards president of the Broad Street Bank. In 1907 he was made president of the Chamber of Commerce. He was appointed adjutant-general by Governor Fort in 1909, which position he held until his death November 10, 1916. The development of Stacy Park and the restoration of the Old Barracks were projects in which he was deeply interested and which were undertaken and completed largely through his efforts.

SCUDDER, HENDERSON G.—*Vestry* 1860-1872; 1881-1882. Came to Trenton from Lawrenceville and kept a dry goods store for many years on

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South Warren Street below where the Mechanics Bank stands and subsequently on North Broad Street. He was a Presbyterian by family connection but he married a churchwoman Anna Chevrier and thus became attached to the Episcopal Church. He was a liberal giver to the church and took an active part in its affairs. He died November 28, 1882.

SHREVE, E. MERCER—*Vestry 1871-1884*. Was a native of Trenton and son of Ralph H. Shreve, first clerk of Mercer County. He was admitted to the bar as an attorney in November 1860 and as a counselor, November 1863. He was clerk of the United States District Court in 1868. Was a very active practitioner up to the time of his death. His business was largely in the local United States Courts. He was not prominent in jury trials, but was noted for learning and ability. His advice was largely sought and he was one who pre-eminently enjoyed the confidence of the community. Mr. Shreve died February 5, 1884, aged forty-seven years.

SMITH, CHARLES PERRIN. Was the son of George Wishart Smith of Virginia. He was born in Philadelphia but after the death of his father removed to Salem, New Jersey. He was the proprietor and editor of the *National Standard* and afterwards of *The Harrisonian*. In 1843 he married Hester A., daughter of Matthew Driver of Caroline County, Maryland. He was a Senator from Salem County 1855-1857 and at the expiration of his term was appointed Clerk of the Supreme Court, a position he held until his death in 1872. His daughter Elizabeth A. Smith gave to St. Michael's Church in 1892 \$3000 as a trust fund for the poor of the parish.

THE STOCKTON FAMILY

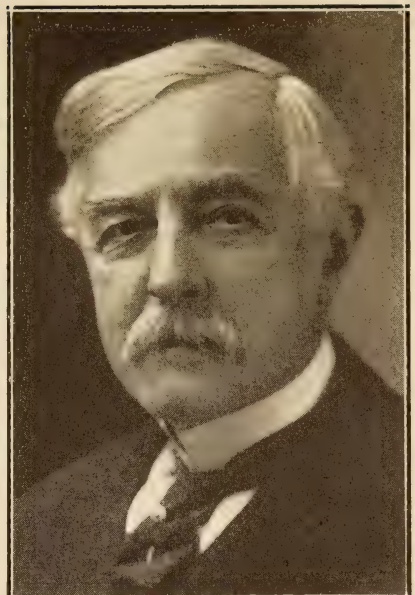
STOCKTON, ROBERT FIELD. Was a son of the Commodore, Robert Field, and a great grandson of the signer, Richard Stockton. He was born January 22, 1832, and married September 6, 1852, Anne Margaretta Potter of Washington, D.C., born July 26, 1833. He was graduated from Princeton College 1851, and was admitted to the bar three years later. He became brigadier-general, January 30, 1858, and adjutant-general of the State, holding that office until April 12, 1867, when he resigned. In 1867 he was brevetted major-general. He was comptroller of New Jersey from 1877 to 1880. In 1866 he became president of the Delaware and Raritan Canal Company, holding the office until 1872 when the Canal company was merged into the United New Jersey and Canal Company. He became a director and was president of the Company when he died at his home in Trenton, New Jersey, May 4, 1898.

Mrs. Stockton who was a devoted communicant of St. Michael's Church for over fifty years, died in Trenton, December 21, 1918, in her eighty-sixth year.

Children of Robert Field and Ann Margaretta Stockton: Harriet Maria, married 1895, to William Lewis Dayton who died 1897. Anne Margaretta, married 1880, Moses Taylor Pyne, who died 1921. Mary, married 1878, Mercer Beasley, son of Chancellor Mercer Beasley. She died 1881. He died 1885. Robert Field, Jr., married 1888 Hannah Blackfan. Isis Iturbide, married 1894, George William Burleigh.



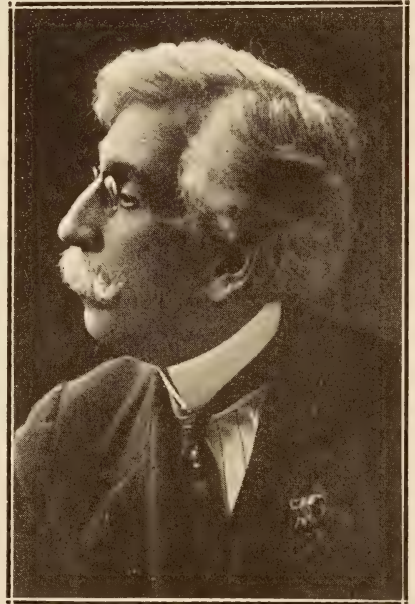
GARRET D. W. VROOM
1843-1914
VESTRY 1872-1873; 1899-1912



JONATHAN H. BLACKWELL
1841-1919
VESTRY 1897-1919



WILBUR F. SADLER, JR.
1871-1916
VESTRY 1913-1916



ELIAS F. CARR
DIED 1916
VESTRY 1899-1912

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STRETCH, DAVID E.—*Vestry 1920-1925*. Born in Salem, New Jersey, and received his education there, completing his pharmacy course in the Philadelphia College of Pharmacy. He came to this city some forty years ago, and engaged in the drug business. For twenty-eight years his place of business was at the corner of Fall and Warren Streets, subsequently he was engaged by Mercer Hospital to act as resident druggist, holding that position until his retirement. He died January 23, 1926. His son, Albert T. Stretch, the well-known violinist, survives him.

THROP, SAMUEL WESLEY—*Vestry 1913-1916*. Was the son of Charles Throp and was born in New Hope, Pennsylvania, January 28, 1850. He removed to Trenton in 1872 and obtained a position with the Trenton Pottery Works on Greenwood Avenue. Subsequently he formed a company with J. Hart Brewer and they conducted a pottery for several years. Later he engaged in the real estate and insurance business. He was the president of the New York and New Jersey Auxiliary Fire Alarm Company. He was chosen senior member of the Common Council in 1903 and again in 1905. He married Carrie Howell, daughter of David and Harriet I. Howell of Yardley, Bucks County, Pennsylvania. His death occurred June 2, 1916.

VROOM, GARRET DORSET WALL—*Vestry 1872-1873; 1899-1912*. Was the son of Peter Dumont and Maria Wall Vroom. Peter D. Vroom was Governor of New Jersey 1833-1836, and his wife was a daughter of Garrett D. Wall, a United States Senator. Mr. Vroom was born December 17, 1843; graduated from Rutgers College in the class of 1862. He read law in the office of his father, and was admitted to the bar of the Supreme Court in 1865, Chancery Court 1871. For several years he was city solicitor and prosecutor of the pleas for Mercer County. He was Mayor of Trenton 1881-1883, and afterwards served as president of the Board of Public Works. He was law reporter of the Supreme Court 1873-1903, one of the judges of the Court of Errors and Appeals 1901-1914. He was an original member of the New Jersey Society Sons of the Revolution, and afterwards president, also a vice-president of the National Society.

He was for several years one of the managers of the State Hospital for the Insane, and was later secretary and president of the Board. He was one of the original managers and afterwards president of the Trenton Battle Monument Association. In 1892 he was elected a manager of the Trenton Savings Fund Society, and on the death of General William S. Stryker became president in 1900.

Judge Vroom was a man of forceful personality, a lover of literature, especially history. He possessed a fine library in the line of French memoirs and early American historical works and pamphlets. He married June 8, 1871, Charlotte Corinne, youngest daughter of Philemon and Margaret Corinne Clothilde (Gobert) Dickinson. After a brief illness he died at his home in Trenton, March 14, 1914, and was buried in Riverview Cemetery. His widow and one daughter, Gertrude G., survive him.

WALKER, EDWIN ROBERT—*Vestry 1912-1918; 1920*. Was born in Rochester, New York, September 13, 1862, where his father, Dr. Walter

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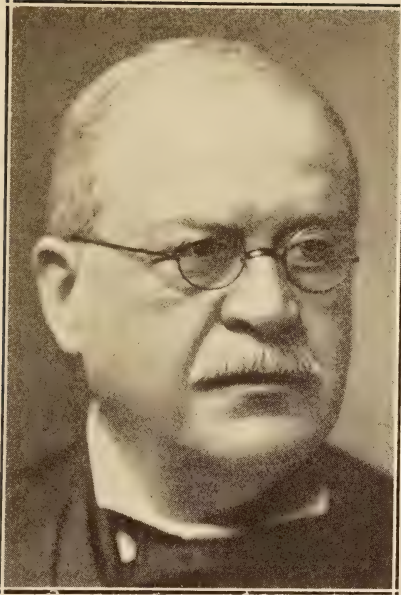
Walker, practised medicine and surgery, but since 1869 he has lived in Trenton, the home of his maternal ancestors, two of whom were officers in the American army during the Revolutionary War, and one of whom, Stacy A. Paxson, was state treasurer of New Jersey and in 1845 was a vestryman of St. Michael's church. While serving a clerkship in the Chancery office he studied law with the late Colonel S. Meredith Dickinson and afterwards with Judge Garret D. W. Vroom. He was admitted to the bar at the June term of the Supreme Court, 1886. In 1891-1892 Mr. Walker was counsel for the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the county of Mercer, and in 1892-1893 was city counsel for the corporation of Trenton. Mr. Walker was judge-advocate of the Second Regiment, National Guard of New Jersey, with the rank of captain in 1906, and in 1907 was made judge-advocate of the Second Brigade with the rank of major. He was appointed vice-chancellor by Chancellor Magie on October 29, 1907, for a full term of seven years, to succeed Vice-Chancellor Bergen, who resigned to become a justice of the Supreme Court. On March 18, 1912, Governor Wilson nominated Mr. Walker for the office of chancellor to fill a vacancy caused by the resignation of Chancellor Mahlon Pitney. He was reappointed in 1919 and again in 1926. He is an authority on local history and chairman of the "Associated Historians" having in preparation a projected *History of Trenton*. He married in Trenton June 30, 1891, Sarah, daughter of Jacob Conrad and Sarah (Corbin) Fritz. Their children were Geoffrey Fritz, born August 11, 1892, died September 8, 1913, and Gertrude, died in infancy 1894.

DESCENT OF EDWIN ROBERT WALKER FROM MAHLON STACY

- (a) Mahlon Stacy's (1) daughter
- (b) Ruth (2) married Samuel Atkinson (second husband) and their son
- (c) Samuel Atkinson (3) married Anne Coates; their daughter
- (d) Beulah Atkinson (4) married Samuel Paxson; their son
- (e) Stacy A. Paxson (5) married Mary Van Cleve; and their daughter
- (f) Mary W. Paxson (6) married Walter Walker; and their son is
- (g) Edwin Robert Walker (7).

WARREN, WILLIAM O.—*Vestry 1913*— . Son of George W. and Eliza Rogers Warren was born on a farm near Wrightstown, Burlington County, New Jersey, left the farm at an early age to attend private schools in Bordentown, New Jersey, completing his education at the Bordentown Military Institute. Engaged in business in 1892, with his brother, George W. Warren, and George W. Balderston, forming a corporation under the name of Warren, Balderston & Company of which corporation he has been the president from the time of organization until the present. In 1895 he married Sara Noblit Swayne, daughter of Jacob and Sarah J. B. Swayne, near Fairville, Chester County, Pa. They have one daughter, Sara Elizabeth Warren.

WILKINSON, FREDERICK R.—*Vestry 1868-1878*. Was born in Trenton June 9, 1837. He was graduated at Princeton 1857. He married January 24, 1860, Harriet Sarah Folwell, daughter of Robert Folwell and Harriet



EDWIN ROBERT WALKER
1862-
VESTRY 1912-1918; 1920-1922



CHARLES H. BAKER
1862-
VESTRY 1901-



EDWIN H. GINNELLEY
1864-
VESTRY 1920-



WALTER P. WILSON
1873-
VESTRY 1917-

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(Graham) Folwell. Mr. Wilkinson was a lawyer by profession, but owing to his large real estate and other interests he did not practise. He was for many years a director of the Mechanics National Bank and the People's and Standard Fire Insurance Companies. He died December 30, 1883.

WILSON, SAMUEL KIRKBRIDGE—*Warden 1875-1900; Vestry 1860-1900.* Was born at Mullica Hill, New Jersey, March 6, 1819. He came to Trenton and engaged in the manufacture of woollen cloth in which he was most successful. He was a large holder of real estate in the city. He held many offices of importance in the business world. He was a director of the People's Insurance Company 1865-1868; president, State Savings Bank 1869-1875; director of the Mechanics National Bank 1856-1885; manager, Trenton Savings Fund Society 1878-1900; director, Standard Fire Insurance Company 1881-1900; president, Trenton Watch Company 1887-1895 and vice-president 1897-1900. His death occurred in Trenton November 26, 1900.

Mr. Wilson married for his first wife Sarah Margaret Hunt Bond and for his second wife Isabelle Gertrude Conway. There were no children by the first marriage. By the second marriage there was one daughter Mary Hazel who is now living in Trenton. The second Mrs. Wilson married William H. Brokaw and died March 25, 1917. Mr. Wilson was a liberal supporter of St. Michael's Church. He built Grace Chapel on South Clinton Avenue in 1876 at his own expense and also the parish house of St. Michael's Church in 1892. When Bishop Scarborough decided to make Trenton his official home, Mr. Wilson presented the diocese with a fine mansion on Greenwood Avenue as an Episcopal residence which Bishop Scarborough occupied for the thirty-nine years of his Episcopate. Subsequently when it ceased to be used by Bishop Matthews it was sold under the terms of the gift and the proceeds went to St. Michael's Church as a trust fund for missionary work in Mercer County.

WILSON, WALTER P.—*Warden 1919- ; Vestry 1917- .* The son of the late John D. and Abigail H. Wilson, was born in Trenton. He received his education in the Trenton grammar and High Schools, and Rider College.

Early in life he entered the printing business and now conducts his own establishment. He is a descendant of a Monmouth County, New Jersey, family that was prominent in the service of this country in the Revolutionary War. Two of his ancestors who served in the Revolutionary War were John Rue and Captain William Heisler. He has been a lay reader in the Church for many years, doing work in various institutions and churches. He has been for some years superintendent of St. Michael's Church Sunday School.

CHAPTER XXXVI

THE RECTORATE OF THE REVEREND WILLIAM BEST EDDY

1912-1919

THE RECTOR AND VESTRY AT ODDS

THE parish was now under the necessity of choosing a rector, and the choice fell upon the Rev. William Best Eddy, then first assistant in Grace Church, New York City.

December 13, 1911.

Mr. Blackwell, Chairman of the Committee appointed to confer with the Rev. William B. Eddy, having reported favorably with regard to Mr. Eddy

On motion of Mr. Bugbee it was Resolved That the wardens be and they hereby are authorized and instructed to extend a call to the Rev. Mr. Eddy to the Rectorship of St. Michael's Parish.

Letter of the wardens to the Rev. Mr. Eddy dated December 14, 1911, notifying him of his election as Rector.

January 3, 1912.

Dr. Carr for the wardens presented and read a letter from the Rev. William B. Eddy accepting the Rectorship of St. Michael's, dated Grace House, 802 Broadway, New York, December 26, 1911, to begin February 1, 1912.

State Gazette

Wednesday, January 31, 1912

NEW RECTOR OF ST. MICHAEL'S CHURCH

Rev. William Best Eddy, who has succeeded Rev. Dr. T. Bond Holland as Rector of St. Michael's Church, and Mrs. Eddy reached here yesterday, taking up their residence at 156 West State Street. The Rector will conduct the services at St. Michael's next Sunday and next Tuesday evening the members of the parish will extend to him and his wife a formal reception.



THE REVEREND WILLIAM BEST EDDY
RECTOR 1911-1919

RECTORATE OF WILLIAM EDDY

MR. EDDY PREFERS NOT TO LIVE IN RECTORY

Mr. Eddy, preferring a house of ampler proportions than the rectory, the vestry consented to his renting another house, and "agreed to pay over the rent of the house owned by the church to Mr. Eddy, he to make up the difference, if any, between the rent of the two houses." Mr. Eddy thereupon rented the former home of Richard Oliphant, No. 156 West State Street.

SKETCH OF THE REV. W. B. EDDY

The Rev. Mr. Eddy was born in Troy, New York, was graduated from Tufts College in 1889, and received his A.M. degree in 1890. He began his career as a Universalist minister, but coming under church influence, he relinquished his connection with that body, and sought orders in the Episcopal Church. He was ordained deacon in 1908, and priested in 1909 by Bishop Lawrence of Massachusetts. His first charge was as assistant minister in Grace Church, New York, under the rectorship of the late Dr. William R. Huntington.

A CLASH OVER THE MUSIC

For a period all went smoothly in the parish life, but trouble was brewing, and in 1913 developed into an issue over the respective rights of the rector and the choirmaster in the matter of ordering the music.

The minutes relating to the controversy give the full details:

Meeting of Vestry, January 7, 1913.

On motion of Mr. Walker, it was—

RESOLVED, That the Vestry of St. Michael's Church acknowledge the authority of the Rector, and his individual power and jurisdiction over the music of the Church; and have entire confidence in his wisdom and discretion in the matter, and pledge him their hearty and undivided support in any action he may see fit to take concerning the same. Adopted.

Meeting of Vestry, January 23, 1913.

The Rector presented and read a statement, after which being amended, was as follows:

As some publicity has recently been given to matters relating to the musical arrangements of St. Michael's Church; the Vestry has deemed it proper to issue a plain statement of facts in order to correct any possible misapprehension on the part of those interested, whether within or without the parish.

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Some weeks ago steps were taken by the Rector looking to the development of the music of the Church, to meet the requirements of a series of special evening services, with a view to occasional augmentation of the choir by a boy soloist, there being no soprano soloist in the Choir.

The Choir Master refused to allow such augmentation and denied the authority of the Rector to act against his decision.

A meeting of the Vestry was called, and the Rector stated the facts in the case, setting forth the Canon of the Church, supplemented by a letter from the Bishop of the Diocese defining the position of the Rector as in sole charge and full control of the music in his own congregation.

The Vestry passed the following resolution by unanimous vote, eight members being present:

RESOLVED, That the Vestry of St. Michael's Church acknowledge the authority of the Rector, and his individual power and jurisdiction over the music of the Church, under the Canons of the Church, and have entire confidence in his wisdom and discretion in the matter; and pledge him their hearty and undivided support in any action he may see fit to take concerning the same.

THE CHOIR-MASTER AND CHOIR WITHDRAW

When the Choir-Master learned of the action of the Vestry, he tendered his resignation to take effect at once, and it was learned that upon his resigning, the men of the Choir would also withdraw.

It was the desire of the Rector that the Choristers (both men and boys), and Choir-Master, remain in the service of the Church, the only condition for the latter, being that he work in sympathy with the Rector.

In view of the fact that contrary to this expressed desire, the Choir-Master voluntarily resigned, and the members of the Choir left the service of the Church of their own accord, we see no occasion for grievance on their part, and know of no fact justifying any criticism of the Rector or of his action in the premises.

Dated January 23, 1913—*Signed*

JAMES C. DE COU

J. H. BLACKWELL

NEWTON A. K. BUGBEE

WM. L. BLODGETT

ALBERT L. GILL

CHARLES H. BAKER

CHARLES L. PATTERSON

EDWIN ROBERT WALKER

RECTORATE OF WILLIAM EDDY

On motion of Mr. Walker, seconded by Mr. Baker, said statement was adopted, ordered spread upon the minutes (each member of the Vestry having signed it) and a copy of same was ordered to be sent to the Press for publication.

VACANCIES IN THE VESTRY

There being some vacancies in the vestry caused by the resignation of Dr. Elias F. Carr, junior warden, due to his removal from the city, and the resignation of another vestryman, on February 8, 1913, General Wilbur F. Sadler and William O. Warren were elected vestrymen, and Albert L. Gill was elected junior warden.

TABLET PLACED ON EXTERIOR WALL OF THE CHURCH

May 28, 1914.

General Sadler announced that the Sons of the American Revolution would pass through Trenton on a pilgrimage from Philadelphia to Boston on the twenty-third of June, and that it had been proposed to place a Bronze Tablet on the front of the Church, marking the Route taken by Washington from Philadelphia to Cambridge, Mass., to assume command of the Patriotic Army in 1775.

It was moved by Mr. Blackwell that "we accept the valued offer of the Sons of the American Revolution."

The tablet which was unveiled Tuesday, 2:30 p.m., June 23, 1914, reads as follows:

Eternal Vigilance is the Price of Liberty

Marking the Route taken by Washington from Philadelphia to Cambridge, Mass., to assume command of the Patriotic Army in 1775. Placed here by the society, Sons of the American Revolution, June 23, 1914.

DEATH OF PROMINENT VESTRYMEN

The death of four vestrymen followed in quick succession: in 1916, Albert L. Gill, junior warden, General Wilbur F. Sadler and Samuel W. Throp, vestrymen, and in 1917 James C. De Cou, senior warden.

In 1918, Elias F. Carr, formerly junior warden, but not at that time a member of the vestry, also passed away. Appropriate

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resolutions were passed in the case of the deceased members of the vestry.

Of James C. DeCou, senior warden, it is recorded that "he had been a pupil, teacher, superintendent of the Sunday School for fifty years, a member of the vestry since 1868, and a warden since 1891."

This almost unprecedented term of service deserved, and was to receive, grateful remembrance.

DIFFERENCES BETWEEN RECTOR AND VESTRY

Matters were not going smoothly between the rector and vestry, and a special meeting was called for October 6, 1919, "to receive and act upon a request from the rector for the dissolution of pastoral relations." There was no quorum, and the meeting was adjourned.

Meeting of the Vestry, November 10, 1919.

There were present Messrs. Wilson, Warren, Atkinson, Galt, Howarth and Funk. Mr. Bugbee elected Senior warden. Mr. Wilson elected Junior warden.

In the absence, as alleged, of a duly elected warden at this meeting, the legality of the election was questioned, and at a meeting held a week later the minutes were ordered to be "not accepted."

SOURCE OF THE TROUBLE

It may be said here that the trouble went back to the Easter parish election of 1919, when through the attendance of a majority of those favorably disposed towards the rector, certain former vestrymen were displaced, and others elected in their stead.

THE LEGALITY OF THE ELECTION OF WARDENS QUESTIONED

Monday Evening, November 17, 1919.

A special meeting of the vestry of St. Michael's Church was held at the residence of the Senior Warden at 8 o'clock p.m. Those present were Messrs. Wilson, Warren, Baker, Atkinson, Galt, Howarth, Funk and Bugbee.

On motion of Mr. Galt it was decided that inasmuch as there were some question as to the legality of the election of wardens

RECTORATE OF WILLIAM EDDY

on account of the absence from the meeting of a duly elected warden, it was moved and carried that the minutes of the meeting of November 10 be not accepted.

The organization of the vestry was then taken up and Messrs. Bugbee and Wilson were nominated respectively Senior and Junior Warden, and regularly elected.

THE RECTOR TENDERS HIS RESIGNATION

The resignation of William Best Eddy was then read:

Trenton, N.J., June 21, 1919.

THE VESTRY OF ST. MICHAEL'S PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH, TRENTON, NEW JERSEY:

GENTLEMEN. In view of an opportunity for larger service in New York I desire to relinquish my office here and therefore tender my resignation as Rector to take effect the first day of September next.

Faithfully yours,

(signed) WILLIAM BEST EDDY.

VESTRY DECLARES RECTORSHIP VACANT

On motion of Mr. Warren seconded by Mr. Baker, the following resolution was adopted (all but two of the vestrymen present voting in the affirmative).

Whereas, in the newspaper press of Trenton in the month of July 1919, a notice appeared that the Rev. Wm. B. Eddy, Rector of the Protestant Episcopal Church of St. Michael's in the City of Trenton, had resigned as such Rector, his resignation to take effect September 1, 1919, and later there appeared in the same press a notice that he would preach his farewell sermon on the last Sunday in the said month of July, that said notices undoubtedly emanated from the said Rector, who never contradicted them and who actually preached his farewell sermon to the congregation of said Church on the last Sunday in July 1919, since which time he has removed from the Parish of St. Michael's and the Diocese of New Jersey, and has absented himself from said Church and abandoned the same: Therefore Be it resolved by the vestry of St. Michael's Church That the Rectorship of said Church is and has been vacant since the first day of September last past and be it further

Resolved That the senior warden appoint a Committee of

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three to investigate and report to the vestry the name or names of a person or persons duly qualified to be Rector of said Church.

AN OPPOSITE VIEW OF THE MATTER

Apparently it was the contention of Mr. Eddy and of those who sided with him that, inasmuch as the vestry had failed to act upon his resignation to take effect as of September 1, but had postponed consideration of the same until the meeting held November 17, he was in the meanwhile necessarily possessed of all the powers and prerogatives of the rectorship, including the obligation to provide for the services in the church.

The Rev. Mr. Eddy is serving (1925) on the staff of the Protestant Episcopal City Mission in New York City.



THE RIGHT REVEREND PAUL MATTHEWS, D.D.
FIFTH BISHOP OF NEW JERSEY
1915-

CHAPTER XXXVII

THE FIFTH BISHOP OF NEW JERSEY THE RIGHT REVEREND PAUL MATTHEWS

1915-

THE BISHOP-COADIUTOR

AT the annual Convention held in St. Michael's Church, Trenton, May 15, 1914, the securing of a successor to the late Bishop Scarborough, was attempted by the election of the Rt. Rev. Charles H. Brent, D.D., the missionary bishop of the Philippine Islands. The election was on the fifth ballot. Bishop Brent declined the election, and a special Convention was called for October 7 of the same year, to meet in Trinity Church, Trenton. At this Convention the diocese unanimously elected the Very Reverend Paul Matthews as fifth bishop of New Jersey. He was at that time dean of the Cathedral of our Merciful Saviour, Faribault, Minn., and a professor in the Seabury Divinity School.

The bishop-elect was consecrated on St. Paul's Day, January 25, 1915, in St. Mary's Church, Burlington, and entered immediately upon his duties.

SKETCH OF BISHOP PAUL MATTHEWS

Paul Matthews was born in Glendale, Ohio, a suburb of Cincinnati, December 25, 1866. He was a son of Stanley Matthews, associate-justice of the supreme court of the United States, appointed during the administration of President Hayes.

He was graduated from Princeton University in 1887, being valedictorian of his class, and subsequently from the General Theological Seminary in 1890, with the degree of B.D. He was ordered deacon in 1890 by Bishop Vincent of Southern Ohio, and priested in 1891 by Bishop Worthington of Nebraska. He married Miss Elsie Procter of Glendale, Ohio, in May 1897.

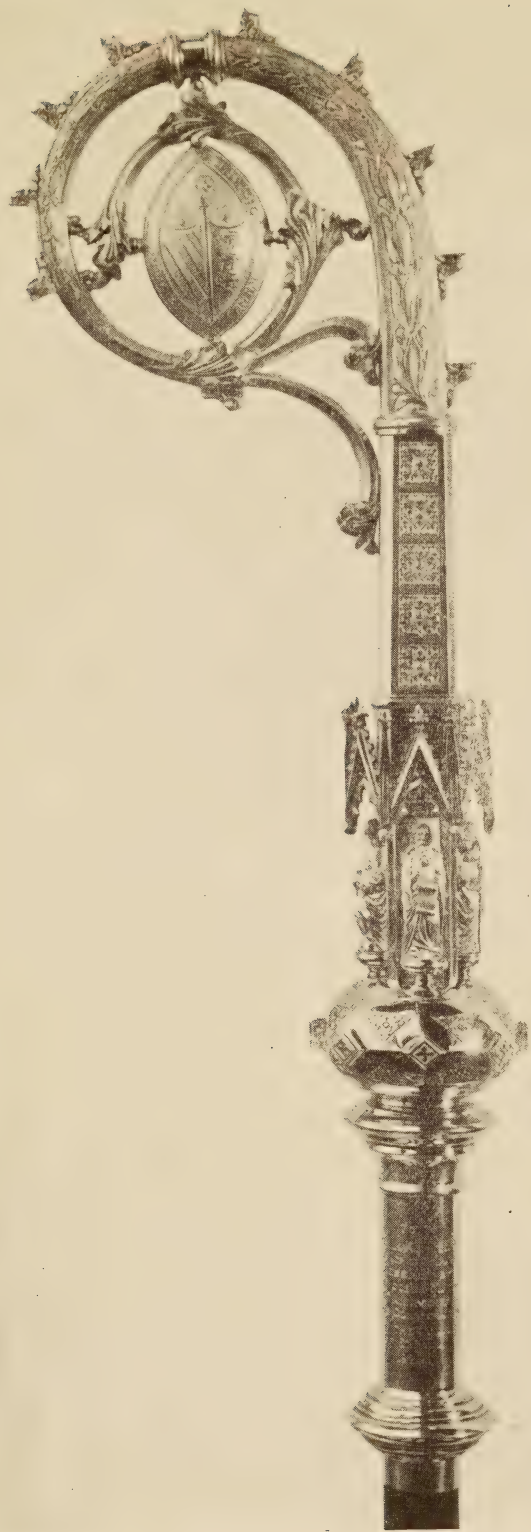
His first charge was as a member of the Associate-Mission, Omaha, Nebraska, 1891-1895. He was rector of St. Luke's Church, Cincinnati, 1896-1904, dean of St. Paul's Cathedral of

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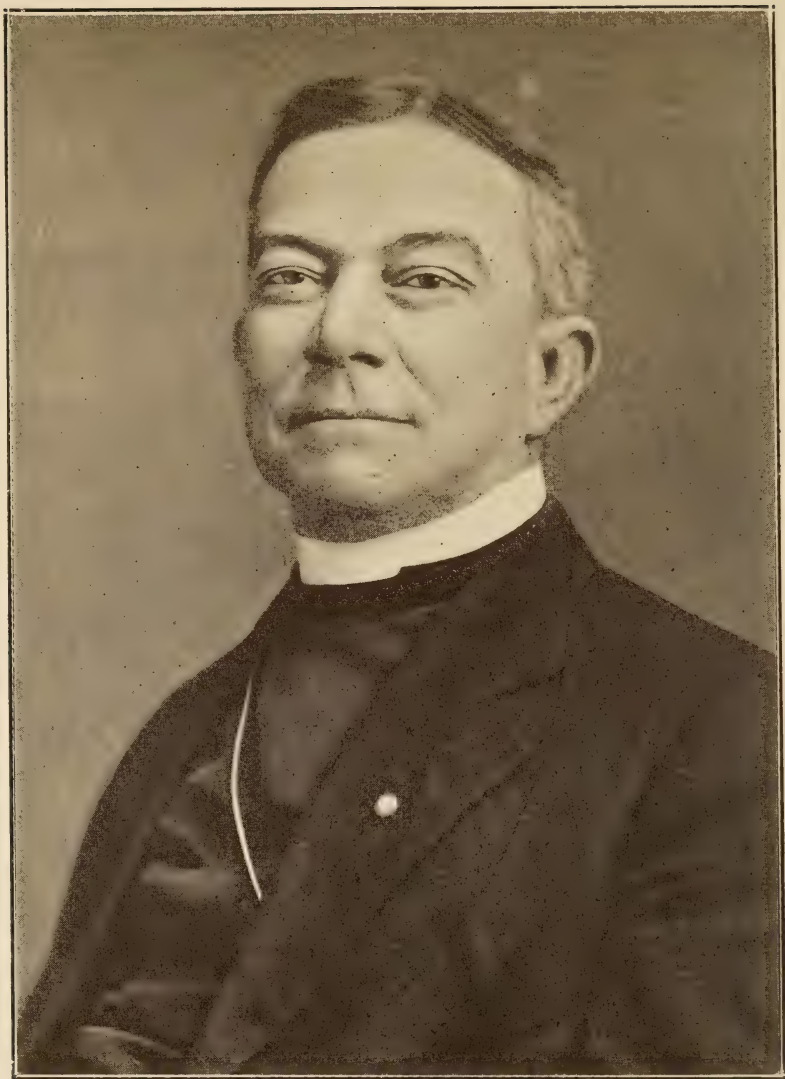
the same city, 1904-1913; dean of the Cathedral of Our Merciful Saviour, Faribault, Minnesota, 1913-1914 and professor in the Seabury Divinity School for the same period. He received the degree of Doctor of Divinity from Seabury in 1915; from Princeton University in 1916; and the degree of Doctor of Sacred Theology from the General Theological Seminary in 1915. On January 25, 1925, his tenth anniversary as Bishop of New Jersey was observed by a special service in St. Mary's Church, Burlington, and the day following at a luncheon given in his honor at Trenton he was presented with a beautiful pastoral staff by the churchmen of the diocese.

A VIGOROUS ADMINISTRATION

During the ten years of Bishop Matthews' administration the work and resources of the diocese have greatly advanced, particularly in the matter of organization and the development of institutional life. The Cathedral Foundation, implying not a material fabric, but the consolidation of diocesan work under special administrators for the four departments of Missions, Social Service, Religious Education, and the Nation-wide Campaign, has been inaugurated. The dean, the archdeacon and the three canons, with a certain number of clergymen and laymen, elected by the convention, under the leadership of the bishop and bishop-coadjutor, are charged with the active management of diocesan work. Advances especially along the lines of social service and religious education have taken place. Agencies have been established or taken over by the diocese such as The Evergreens, Home for the Aged, Ruth Hall, a school for girls in Asbury Park now removed to Burlington and affiliated with St. Mary's Hall, the Church Mission of Help, Christ Church Home for homeless children, South Amboy, St. Bernard's School for boys at Bernardsville, St. Barnabas Guild for nurses. Besides these the bishop's fostering care extends to St. Mary's Hall, Burlington, the second oldest church school for girls in the United States, which although not technically a diocesan institution, is yet closely linked to the diocese by the fact that the bishop is ex-officio visitor and president of the board of trustees. There has also been the establishment under the bishop of the William Alexander Procter Foundation, by arrangement with



THE PASTORAL STAFF PRESENTED TO BISHOP MATTHEWS BY THE CLERGY AND LAITY OF THE DIOCESE OF NEW JERSEY
ON THE OCCASION OF THE TENTH ANNIVERSARY OF HIS EPISCOPATE, 1925



THE RIGHT REVEREND ALBION WILLIAMSON KNIGHT, D.D.
BISHOP-COAJUTOR OF NEW JERSEY 1923-

THE FIFTH BISHOP

Trinity Church, Princeton, whereby the services of a student pastor for the undergraduates of the university have been secured.

A BISHOP-COAJUTOR CHOSEN

The need for an assistant to share the burden of these numerous activities began to be felt, and several abortive attempts were made to choose such.

Finally at a special convention held in Christ pro-cathedral, Trenton, October 9, 1923, the Rt. Rev. Albion W. Knight, D.D., was unanimously elected bishop-coadjutor. Bishop Knight had been for some time previously serving as a temporary assistant to Bishop Matthews, and in that capacity had so commended himself to the goodwill of the clergy and laity, that the choice was a natural and satisfactory one.

As the bishop-coadjutor was already in Episcopal Orders no consecration was required, and he continued his services to the diocese.

SKETCH OF THE RIGHT REVEREND ALBION WILLIAMSON KNIGHT

Albion Williamson Knight was born in White Springs, Florida, August 24, 1859, the son of George Augustine Knight and Martha Demere. He was ordained deacon in 1881, and priest in 1883. He married (1) Elise Nicoll Hallows, Jacksonville, Florida, August 27, 1889, (2) Miriam Powell Yates 1919. His first charge was as missionary in Southern Florida, 1881-1884. He was rector of St. Marks' Church, Palatka, Florida, 1884-1886. Rector St. Andrews' Church Jacksonville, Florida, 1886-1893, dean of the cathedral at Atlanta, Georgia, 1893-1904. In 1904 he was consecrated Bishop of Cuba, which office he held up to 1913. He was placed in charge of the Panama Canal Zone 1908-1920. In 1914 he became vice-chancellor and president of the University of the South, Sewanee, Tennessee, which post he held until 1922. In 1923 he was chosen bishop-coadjutor of the Diocese of New Jersey, since when he has made his home in Trenton.

CHAPTER XXXVIII

THE RECTORATE OF THE REVEREND SAMUEL STEINMETZ

1920

PROGRESS OF THE PARISH

FUTURE PROSPECTS

AT a meeting of the vestry held May 6, 1920, it was resolved to engage the Rev. Samuel Steinmetz, to act as a supply pending the selection of a rector. On September 16 of the same year, Mr. Steinmetz, having commended himself to the vestry by his excellent work, and pleasing personality, was unanimously chosen rector, and the bishop was so informed. His letter of acceptance, under date of September 26, follows:

I hereby accept the call of the vestry to become rector of this church, and in so doing I assure you that it is only after much prayer and in full confidence that this is God's will. Let me say however, that I come to you as your minister in the words of St. Paul, "Not with excellency of speech or word declaring unto you the testimony of God, for I am determined to know nothing among you save Jesus Christ and Him crucified." Soliciting your prayers and hearty co-operation that we may indeed be "workers together with Him." I am

Devotedly yours,

SAMUEL STEINMETZ.

SKETCH OF THE REV. SAMUEL STEINMETZ

Samuel Steinmetz was born in Philadelphia, February 7, 1887. He was the son of Leonard Winfield Steinmetz and Martha Zorn Durdine. The former was a member of the Philadelphia Board of Education for fourteen years. On the maternal side the son is a descendant of Major William Bower, an officer in the Continental Army. He was educated in the Philadelphia public schools, and later was graduated from the Philadelphia Business College. He also attended the Maher Preparatory



THE REVEREND SAMUEL STEINMETZ
PRESENT RECTOR OF ST. MICHAEL'S CHURCH

1920-

RECTORATE OF SAMUEL STEINMETZ

School. He studied at the Temple University Law School, leaving to prepare himself for the work of the ministry by pursuing his studies at the University of Pennsylvania and the Virginia Theological Seminary. He subsequently took a post-graduate course in the Philadelphia Divinity School. He was ordained to the diaconate by the Rt. Rev. John Gardner Murray, D.D., Bishop of Maryland, June 1, 1913, and to the priesthood May 29, 1914. His first charge was a curacy at the Church of the Ascension, Baltimore, Maryland. He was subsequently rector of the Church of the Transfiguration, West Arlington, Baltimore, Maryland, and of Calvary Chapel, Washington, D.C. Afterwards he was associated with Holy Trinity Church, Philadelphia, being vicar of the Chapel of The Prince of Peace. During the World War, in addition to his parochial duties, he engaged in Y.M.C.A. work, being the Industrial Extension Secretary of the Central Y.M.C.A. of Philadelphia, planning and directing a large programme in the great industrial plants of the city. In the autumn of 1920 he accepted a call to the rectorship of St. Michael's Church, Trenton. He married Miss Ethel May Martin, of Philadelphia, daughter of William M. and Mary Jane Frazier. They have one son, Samuel Steinmetz, Jr.

UNVEILING OF A TABLET IN MEMORY OF JAMES C. DE COU

On Sunday, December 26, 1920, at the morning service, there was unveiled a bronze tablet, placed on the south wall of the church, in memory of James C. DeCou.

The inscription reads as follows:

To the Glory of God and

In Loving Memory of

JAMES CLARKE DE COU

1839—1917

A member of this Church and

Superintendent of the Sunday School for

Fifty years. Junior Warden 1891—1901

Senior Warden 1901—1917

A EULOGY BY CHANCELLOR WALKER

An address was made on the occasion by Chancellor Edwin Robert Walker, a member of the vestry. He said in part:

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St. Michael's Church is rich in history and rich also in the character and personality of a long line of faithful members and officials who have supported and upheld it for a period of more than two hundred years. None of them, however, served the parish with greater zeal and fidelity than the late lamented James C. DeCou, in loving memory of whom this tablet has been fittingly erected, and now reverently unveiled. Piety, devotion and christian endeavor, a trinity of virtues, were possessed by him in full heaped and rounded measure. . . . I will not dwell upon the various activities of Mr. DeCou in this parish, perhaps I cannot for want of minute information, for his activities ended a few years ago about the time when mine began. . . . Mr. DeCou was a great man among us in St. Michael's Church—able, industrious, devoted and unselfish, he labored to make others happy, and so kindly was his nature that to know him was to like him, and to be his acquaintance was to be his friend. (*State Gazette*, December 27, 1920.)

The tablet is of bronze set in a marble slab and was the gift of Mr. DeCou's sisters, the Misses Annie E., Mary H. and S. Ella DeCou.

A PEACEFUL PASTORATE

During the next five years the current of the parish life flowed peacefully after the somewhat hectic conditions marking the previous rectorate. Under the leadership of the Rev. Mr. Steinmetz, the records show a marked advance in all departments of the work. The period was one of growth, and consolidation marred by no misunderstandings or dissatisfaction. All concerned seem to have united to pull together, and to preserve a spirit of harmony and goodwill.

A perusal of the minutes of the vestry shows that little business except of a routine order is recorded.

A TEN THOUSAND DOLLAR LEGACY

At a meeting of the vestry, October 13, 1921, the announcement was made of a legacy of Ten Thousand Dollars left to the parish under the will of Miss Mary F. Murphy, which was duly accepted in accordance with the terms of the will.

On May 7, 1925, it was ordered that one thousand dollars of this sum be appropriated and expended for a memorial window and the balance invested for the benefit of the parish.

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THE BISHOP'S HOUSE TRUST FUND

Special meeting of the vestry, January 17, 1923.

The request of Bishop Matthews suggesting that the proceeds received from the sale of the Bishop's Residence on Greenwood Avenue be turned over to the Board of Missions was refused on the grounds that the deed of gift (Samuel K. Wilson) indicated that the proceeds of this fund were to be used by the Corporation of St. Michael's Church under the laws, rules, regulations and usages of the Diocese of New Jersey.

In accordance with the terms of the original gift by Samuel K. Wilson, to the diocese, of the Bishop's House on Greenwood Avenue, it was provided in case the property ceased to be used as such, that it should be sold, the proceeds invested and the interest used for missionary work in Mercer County, under the direction of the corporation of St. Michael's Church, of which Mr. Wilson was for many years senior warden. As the Greenwood Avenue house had thus ceased to be used when Bishop Matthews established his official residence in Princeton the terms of the Wilson gift were complied with, and the sum of \$14,672.31, was turned over to St. Michael's Church as a trust fund for the purpose indicated. The services of Mrs. Ida Livingston were engaged "as a missionary in Mercer County under the supervision of the rector, wardens and vestrymen as trustees of the fund."

THE GIFT OF A NEW ORGAN BY MR. AND MRS. NEWTON A. K. BUGBEE

At a meeting of the vestry September 23, 1923, Mr. Bugbee, the senior warden, stated his intention to provide a new organ for the church, as a gift from his wife and himself, and requested permission to displace the old one and install a new one in its place. The request was granted, and in 1924 a fine three-manual instrument, of the latest and most approved design was placed in the balcony. The gift dedicated was in memory of William Hancock and of his two daughters, Salina Toms and Sarah E. Bissell. William Hancock was the grandfather of Mrs. Bugbee (Florence Hancock Toms). He served in the vestry from 1881 to 1890.

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A MASONIC SERVICE AT THE GRAVE OF DAVID BREARLEY

A special service for the Grand Lodge of the Masonic Order of New Jersey, was held in the church on April 3, 1924. The purpose of the meeting was the dedication of a fine granite slab placed over the grave of David Brearley "first Grand Master of Masons in New Jersey" and a warden of St. Michael's Church 1785-1790. Prayers were offered by the Rev. Samuel Steinmetz, and an address of greeting was given by the Rt. Rev. Albion W. Knight, D.D., both members of the Masonic Order. After the brief service in the church, the whole assembly proceeded to the grave-yard where appropriate ceremonies followed. The Grand Master, David M. McGregor, followed with an address, sketching the life of David Brearley, and eulogizing his character and achievements. The speaker also mentioned, in the course of his remarks, the names of several other prominent members of the Order, whose bodies lie buried in the old graveyard.

(See Appendix N: 2—Men of St. Michael's Church prominent in the Masonic Order.)

INSCRIPTIONS ON OLD GRAVE-STONES RECUT

During 1924, a most commendable work was undertaken by a group of St. Michael's women. Time and weather had united to dull, or partially efface, the names and inscriptions on the old tombstones in the graveyard, and in a few more years, unless the matter of recutting the same was promptly taken in hand, many of the records would probably have become indecipherable to the irreparable loss of important data. Though there was little or no ready money available at the time for this pious task, the women interested in the matter went to work with a will to raise the funds required. As a result the lettering on the gravestones has been rechiselled, and is now as legible as it was originally. This was a public service of the highest value, and merits the approbation and support, not only of those whose forebears lie buried in the old graveyard, but of all who are concerned that the memorials of the dead, during a period of a century and a half, many of whom were once prominent and influential in the community, should not be suffered to fall into neglect and oblivion.

The total expense of this work amounted to over \$1500.00.



ALTAR VESSELS OF ST. MICHAEL'S CHURCH

UPPER ROW: PATTEN; TWO CHALICES AND FLAGON, NINETEENTH CENTURY; CHALICE WITH BEAK, EARLY COLONIAL. SECOND ROW: ALMS PLATES, ONE "FELIN" PATTERN 1764; ONE REPLICA 1853; TWO REPLICAS 1924 "CALDWELL";

CHALICE, PATTEN AND BREADS BOX 1924 "CALDWELL."



IN MEMORY OF
DAVID BREARLEY
FIRST M. W. GRAND MASTER
OF MASONS IN NEW JERSEY.
BORN JUNE 11, 1745
DIED AUGUST 16, 1790.

PRACTICED LAW AT ALLENTOWN N. J.
LIEUT. COLONEL IN THE U. S. ARMY
DURING THE WAR OF THE REVOLUTION.
MEMBER OF THE FIRST STATE AND
FEDERAL CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTIONS.
CHIEF JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME
COURT OF NEW JERSEY.
M. W. GRAND MASTER 1786 TO 1789 INC.

AN ARDENT PATRIOT; BRAVE SOLDIER;
UPRIGHT JUDGE AND BELOVED MASON.

ERECTED BY THE M. W. GRAND LODGE
OF MASONS OF NEW JERSEY.

APRIL 3, 1924

COURTESY OF ISAAC CHERRY
GRAND SECRETARY OF THE
GRAND LODGE OF MASONS, NEW JERSEY

RECTORATE OF SAMUEL STEINMETZ

SOME PARISH STATISTICS

The progress of the parish under the present rector can best be told from the summary of a report which was made to the congregation by the Rev. Mr. Steinmetz on the completion of the first five years of his rectorate.

Episcopal visitations	9
Baptisms	100
Confirmations	200
Marriages	36
Burials	400

(Present number of Communicants as given in the Diocesan Journal, 1925, is 796.)

Of the burials the majority were of persons unconnected with the parish.

A weekly celebration of the Holy Communion has been established, and attendance at the regular church services largely increased. The rector has preached and delivered more than 700 sermons and addresses. Lectures and talks before organizations and societies, civic and social, have numbered 364. Improvements have been made to the church property, including the installation of a new heating plant at a cost of some \$6000.00. The money raised to pay past indebtedness, and for improvements totalled more than \$17,000.00.

During this period many memorial gifts have been made to the parish, including several stained glass windows, two silver alms basins, a new chalice and patten, a private communion set, books for the altar and clergy use, and a three-manual pipe organ. Old parish organizations have been revived, and several new ones started. The Church School has increased forty per cent in numbers. A men's club has been organized with a present membership of 170, as also a flourishing boys club. Other organizations include the Church Chapter, the Altar Guild, Daughters of the King, Woman's Auxiliary, the Girls Friendly Society, and the Brotherhood of St. Andrew. (See Appendix F.)

MR. BUGBEE PROVIDES OPEN SPACE ON PERRY STREET CORNER

The property on the north side of the church has been recently purchased by the senior warden, Mr. Newton A. K. Bugbee, giving the church thereby a desirable access to the Perry Street

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corner, and also providing an open space which it is proposed to beautify and open to the public as a little community park.

It is amply evident that this venerable parish has taken on a new lease of life, and is today fully equipped and organized to meet modern needs.

AN ILLUSTRIOUS PAST—A PROMISING FUTURE

It may thus be assumed that those at present responsible for the direction of its affairs have tacitly given a solemn pledge to maintain the traditions of public service which have marked St. Michael's Church in its illustrious history of nearly two centuries and a quarter. As the first and oldest among the representatives of Christian institutions in Trenton and the fruitful mother of the ten parishes and missions of the Episcopal Church, now established within the borders of this ancient town, St. Michael's has a just title to the respect and gratitude of its sister Churches and indeed of all those who recognize the value of the religious ideal in our common life.

All Trentonians who take a just pride in the history of their city will unite in the fervent wish that this venerable parish may continue to flourish and retain its due and proper place among the religious and moral agencies which make for a better and nobler community life.

THE PRESENT VESTRY

The vestry, as elected at the Easter meeting, 1925, is constituted as follows:

Wardens

Newton A. K. Bugbee

Walter P. Wilson

Vestrymen

Dr. Edwin H. Ginnelley

Dr. James R. Cooper

James H. Galt (Clerk)

Dr. David E. Stretch

Charles H. Baker

(deceased 1926)

Prof. William Starr Myers

William H. Atkinson

Alfred C. Funk

William O. Warren

APPENDIX A

CHRONOLOGY OF NOTABLE EVENTS IN THE PARISH HISTORY

- 1702-1705 Early baptisms in the Hopewell Congregation recorded by the Rev. John Talbot in Parish Register, St. Mary's Church, Burlington.
- 1703- Deed given for Hopewell Church Property by John Hutchinson.
- 1704- First wardens chosen—Thomas Tindall and Robert Eaton.
- 1705 "Lycense to Build" granted by Lieut-Gov. Ingoldsby.
- 1706 Whitsunday Service in Hopewell Church, the Rev. John Sharpe, officiating—the Governor, Lord Cornbury present.
- 1708 Queen Anne gives articles to Hopewell Church.
- 1745-1747 Property on which St. Michael's Church stands deeded by John Coxe, son and executor of Colonel Daniel Coxe. Deed unrecorded and lost.
- 1747-1748 Church erected on North Warren Street.
- 1748 Earliest entry of burial in Parish Register—"George Higbee."
- 1751 Lottery held to finish Church.
- 1759 Earliest entry of marriage in Parish Register. "Hosier McFall to Ann Leister."
- 1772 Mary Trent, widow of Colonel William Trent, buried in the Hopewell graveyard, probably beside husband.
- 1775 Rector and congregation receive the "thanks" of the Provincial Congress.
- 1776 Church closed and services suspended.
- 1776 Church used as barracks by the Hessian troops.
- 1783 Church re-opened and services resumed.
- 1795 First Charter granted (subsequently missing).
- 1801 General Convention of the Episcopal Church held in St. Michael's Church. Bishop Moore consecrated. Thirty-nine Articles established—the only General Convention ever held in New Jersey.
- 1812 First Confirmation service—Bishop Jarvis of Connecticut officiating.
- 1815 Diocesan Convention meeting in St. Michael's Church elects the First Bishop of New Jersey, John Croes.
- 1817 First Confirmation service by Bishop Croes.
- 1818 Second Charter granted.
- 1819 Church rebuilt and consecrated.
- 1821 First mention of a Sunday School.
- 1823 Burial, Pauline Josephann, infant child of Joseph Bonaparte and "Mrs. Holton."
- 1836 Marriage of Prince Charles Lucien Murat and Caroline Georgiana Frazier.
- 1838 Hopewell Church land sold, reserving "Tucker" burial plot.
- 1843 Church repaired and extended.
- 1848 St. Paul's Church organized by parishioners of St. Michael's.
- 1851 Church added to and improved.
- 1853 Ownership of Perry Street Sunday School property vested in Corporation.

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- 1858 Trinity Church organized by parishioners of St. Michael's.
- 1862 Extensive improvements made to Church.
- 1870 Church practically rebuilt.
- 1876 Cornerstone laid of St. Michael's Chapel on North Clinton Avenue (building gift of Samuel K. Wilson).
- 1876 First Rectory purchased, No. 48 West State Street.
- 1886 Interior of Church completely renovated.
- 1886 First vested choir.
- 1892 Parish House built (gift Samuel K. Wilson).
- 1896 St. Michael's Chapel becomes an independent parish under the name of Grace Church.
- 1906 Interior of Church renovated and decorated.
- 1908 First Rectory sold.
- 1909 Second Rectory purchased, No. 320 West State Street.
- 1918 Chapel in St. Michael's Church rebuilt and beautified.
- 1920 Tablet unveiled in memory of James C. De Cou, for fifty years a member of the vestry, and superintendent of the Sunday School.
- 1924 Granite slab to memory of David Brearley, erected by Grand Lodge of Masons New Jersey.
- 1924 Inscriptions on all old tombstones recut.
- 1925 Land provided by Newton A. K. Bugbee extending Church property to Perry Street corner.

APPENDIX B

BISHOPS EXERCISING THEIR OFFICE IN NEW JERSEY

1702-1925

The Lord Bishop of London—Ordinary for the Colonial Period.
The Bishops of New York, Pennsylvania and Connecticut—Occasional Ministrations, 1787-1815.

DIOCESAN BISHOPS

JOHN CROES	1815-1832
GEORGE WASHINGTON DOANE	1832-1859
WILLIAM HENRY ODENHEIMER	1859-1875
JOHN SCARBOROUGH	1875-1914
PAUL MATTHEWS	1915-
BISHOP CO-ADJUTOR	
ALBION WILLIAMSON KNIGHT	1923-

CHRONOLOGICAL LIST OF THIRTY-TWO CLERGYMEN SERVING THE PARISH

1705-1925

**Missionary*

†Occasionally

THE HOPEWELL CHURCH

1705-1745

JOHN TALBOT	*†1705-1723
JOHN SHARPE	*†1705
THOROUGHGOOD MOORE	*†1705-1707
Mr. MAY	
THOMAS HALLIDAY	*†1714-1717
ROBERT WALKER	*†1715-1718
WILLIAM HARRISON	* 1721-1723
WILLIAM LINDSAY	* 1735-1745

MINISTERS AND RECTORS OF ST. MICHAEL'S CHURCH

1750-1925

MICHAEL HOUDIN	*June, 1750-1757.
AUGUR TREADWELL	*1762. Reported April 4, 1763; died, Trenton, August 19, 1765.
WILLIAM THOMSON	Elected April 1, 1769; accepted and reported May 20, 1769; resigned sometime after April 12, 1773.
GEORGE PANTON	Elected in 1773; reported April 11, 1774? Church closed July 7, 1776.

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WILLIAM FRAZER	†1769-1787. *July 23, 1787; Rector December 8, 1788; reported and instituted December 8, 1788; died July 6, 1795.
HENRY VAN DIKE	October 1, 1795.
HENRY WADDELL	Elected April 14, 1798; accepted April 16, 1798; instituted May 27, 1798; died January 20, 1811.
JOHN WARD	*February 18-April 29, 1811; Rector July 1, 1811; reported August 1, 1811; engaged for one year; left 1813.
REUBEN SHERWOOD	Elected August 20, 1814; reported August 20, 1814; resigned December 12, 1815.
JAMES MONTGOMERY	Elected May 19, 1817; accepted June 21, 1817; reported August 29, 1817?; instituted October, 1817; resigned March 13, 1818.
ABIEL CARTER	Elected May 12, 1818; accepted June 11, 1818; reported July 19, 1818; instituted November 18, 1819?; resigned October 20, 1822.
WILLIAM LUPTON JOHNSON	Elected December 30, 1822; accepted January 2, 1823; instituted May 4, 1825; resigned February 15, 1830, effective April 1, 1830.
FREDERICK BEASLEY	Elected July 30, 1830; accepted August 5, 1830; reported August 8, 1830; resigned May 20, 1836, effective May 22, 1836.
SAMUEL STARR	Elected September 19, 1836; accepted October 11, 1836; resigned March 23, 1855, effective April 1, 1855.
SAMUEL CLEMENTS	Elected March 23, 1855; accepted March 29, 1855; reported May 15, 1855; resigned June 17, 1858, effective July 1, 1858.
RICHARD BACHE DUANE	Elected June 17, 1858; accepted July 13, 1858; reported September 1, 1858; resigned October 10, 1862, accepted November 13, 1862.
EDWARD WEBSTER APPLETON	Elected September 22, 1862; accepted October 10, 1862; reported November 1, 1862; instituted December 22, 1862; resigned December 5, 1865, effective December 14, 1865.
CHRISTOPHER WILKINSON KNAUFF	Elected October 4, 1866; accepted October 13, 1866; reported November 18, 1866; resigned March 26, 1873, effective April 7, 1873.
WILLIAM HUDE NEILSON, JR.	Elected July 9, 1873; accepted July 29, 1873; reported October 12, 1873; resigned May 2, 1889, effective June 1, 1889.

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OSCAR S. BUNTING	Accepted September 28, 1889; reported November 1, 1889; resigned January 11, 1896, effective March 1, 1896.
W. STROTHER JONES	Elected July 9, 1896; accepted July 17, 1896; reported October 1, 1896; resigned June 17, 1908, effective September 1, 1908.
THOMAS BOND HOLLAND	Elected January 26, 1909; accepted January 29, 1909; reported February 24, 1909; resigned October 3, 1911, effective October 16, 1911.
WILLIAM BEST EDDY	Elected December 13, 1911; accepted December 26, 1911; reported February 1, 1912; resigned June 21, 1919, effective September 1, 1919.
SAMUEL STEINMETZ	Elected September 16, 1920; accepted September 26, 1920.

APPENDIX C

ALPHABETICAL LIST OF 189 WARDENS, VESTRYMEN AND TRUSTEES WITH TERMS OF SERVICE

	1750-1925		
<i>*See biographical sketch</i>			
	VESTRY	WARDENS	TRUSTEES
*ABBOTT, TIMOTHY	1877-1882		
ABBOTTS, WILLIAM, JR.	1919		
*ADAMS, DUNLAP	1770-1772		
*ALLEN, ISAAC	1771-1775	1770; 1776	
*ALLEN, JOHN	1754-1763		
ANDERSON, WILLIAM C.	1887-1888		
APPLETON, ABRAHAM	1785-1793		
*ATKINSON, WILLIAM H.	1918-		
*AXFORD, CHARLES	1754-1774;		
	1783-1785		
*AXFORD, CHARLES, JR.	1761-1801		1800-1803
*BAKER, CHARLES H.	1901-		
BAKER, LOOS	1813-1814		
*BARNES, JOHN	1761-1776	1763-1764; 1773	
*BARNES, THOMAS	1763-1774		
BIRD, COLONEL JOSIAH N.	1844-1848		
*BLACKFAN, OGDEN W.	1859-1872	1871-1872	
*BLACKWELL, JONATHAN H.	1897-1919		
*BLODGETT, WILLIAM L.	1909-1919		
*BODINE, JOSEPH L.	1883-1888		
*BOND, ELIJAH	1754-1783	1776	
BOWEN, JAMES	1788		
*BREARLEY, DAVID		1785-1790	
BREARLEY, DAVID H.	1810-1813		
BROWN, WILLIAM A.	1813-1814		
BUCKNUM, JOHN	1820-1824		
*BUGBEE, NEWTON A. K.	1903-	1918-	
CAIN, THOMAS	1843-1848		
CANNON, WILLIAM	1783		
CARR	1772-1773;		
	1775-1776		
*CARR, ELIAS F.	1899-1912;	1902-1912;	
	1916-1918	1916-1918	
CLARK, JAMES S.	1889-1898		
*CLAYPOOLE, ABRAHAM G.	1792-1799		
*CLUNN, JOHN	1785-1790		
*CLYMER, HENRY	1820		
COLLINS	1776		
*COOK, EDMUND D.	1900		

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	VESTRY	WARDENS	TRUSTEES
*COOPER, JAMES R.	1894-1899; 1920-		
*COTTNAM, ABRAHAM	1761-1775		
*COXE, DANIEL, III	Previous to 1758		
*COXE, DANIEL, IV	1765-1776	1765-1769; 1771	
*COX, JOHN	1785-1790		
CROXALL, CHARLES	1798-1801		1800
*DAGWORTHY, JOHN	1754-1755		
*DAVIS, DR. JAMES M.	1849-1873	1853-1873	
*DE COU, ISAAC	1784-1787	1783; 1788-1794	
*DE COU, JAMES C.	1868-1917	1891-1917	
*DE KLYN, BARNT	1785; 1787; 1791-1794; 1801		1801
*DICKINSON, PHILEMON	1830-1836; 1844-1845		
*DILL, JOHN R.	1837-1870		
DOUGLASS, JOHN	1785-1786		
DOWERS, JOHN			1807
DOYLE, SYLVESTER	1801		
*EMERSON, JAMES	1775-1783		
*ENGLISH, AMBROSE W.	1873-1880; 1885-1886		
FISTER, PHILIP	1785-1791; 1794-1801		1801-1809
*FISH, JONATHAN S.	1850-1867		
FRAZER, CHARLES C.	1823-1836		
FRAZER, COLIN	1810-1814		
FREESE, JACOB R.	1874-1877		
FRISBEE, JOHN J.	1842		
*FUNK, ALFRED C.	1917-		
*GALT, JAMES H.	1919-		
*GINNELLEY, EDWIN H.	1920-		
*GILL, ALBERT L.	1892-1901; 1903-1915	1913-1915	
*GLENTWORTH, DR. PLUNKET F.	1820-1824; 1827	1820-1824	
*GORDON, THOMAS	1821-1825	1822-1825	
*GRANT, DR. EDWARD I.	1860-1870		
GRANT, GEORGE W.	1883-1891		
*HALSTED, WILLIAM, JR.	1822-1824; 1828-1853	1837-1852	
*HANCOCK, WILLIAM	1881-1890		
*HARRISON, CHARLES	1772-1774; 1776	1775	
*HENDRICKSON, FRANKLIN	1913-1918; 1920		
HESTER, JACOB	1810-1824; 1826-1829		1808-1809
*HEWITT, CHARLES	1859-1860; 1878-1879		

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	VESTRY	WARDENS	TRUSTEES
*HIGBEE, CHARLES	1810-1815; 1819; 1821; 1825	1817-1818; 1821; 1825	1807
*HIGBEE, JOSEPH, II	1761-1763		
*HIGBEE, JOSEPH, III	1807-1826	1807; 1819-1820 1825-1826	
*HILSON, CLEVELAND	1884-1888		
*HOFF, JOHN D.	1900-1906		
HOLLINSHEAD, JOSHUA	1837-1842		
*HOOPER, ROBERT LETTIS, II	1761-1765; 1772-1773; 1775-1776	1754-1761; 1774	
*HOOPER, ROBERT LETTIS, III	1783-1793		
*HOOPER, ROETERS	1761		
*HOW, MICAJAH	1764-1783; 1791	1765	
HOWARTH, HARRY	1919		
*HOWE, ROSWELL	1849-1870	1850-1856; 1859-1870	
*HOWELL, RICHARD	1790-1793		
HUMPHREYS, WILLIAM	1815-1818		
*HUNT, PEARSON	1810-1820; 1822-1824		
*HUNT, WESTLEY P.	1826-1837; 1853-1858	1827-1837	
INGRAM, THOMAS	1889-1899		
JENKINS, WESTON	1887-1899		
JOHNSON, JAMES	1819		
*JOHNSON, THOMAS W.	1872-1893		
KEAN, HENRY	1792-1801; 1813-1814		1808-1809
KEAN, JOHN	1793-1796		
*KERWOOD, WILLIAM	1815-1827; 1836-1839	1819; 1826; 1836	
*KIRBY, Dr. JOHN	1889-1896		
KLINGLE, GEORGE			1805-1807
LESLIE, WILLIAM J.			1808-1809
McCULLY, THOMAS	1817-1818		
*McILVAINE, WILLIAM R.	1862-1867; 1871-1874	1872-1874	
*MEREDITH, SAMUEL	1770; 1810-1814		1807-1809
*MERSHON, JOHN	1822-1842	1837-1842	
MILNOR, GEORGE W.			1808-1809
MOSES, ARTHUR G.	1902-1908		
*MOSES, JAMES	1880-1883		
*MOSES, JOHN	1871-1901	1901	
MOTT, JOHN	1819-1824		
*MURPHY, JAMES	1862-1891	1873-1891	
*MURPHY, JOHN L.	1899-1900		
*MYERS, WILLIAM STARR	1921-		

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	VESTRY	WARDENS	TRUSTEES
NORTON, RALPH	1760-1765		
NUGENT, JOHN L.			1808-1809
*OGDEN, COLONEL SAMUEL	1789-1791		
ORAM, JAMES	1810-1811		1804-1806; 1808-1809
OSBORNE, J H.	1861		
PARHAM, SAMUEL P.	1854-1858	1857-1858	
PARSONS, JOHN L.	1892-1898		
PATTERSON, CHARLES L.	1906-1912		
*PAXSON, STACY A.	1847		
*PEARSON, CHARLES L.	1847-1848		
PEARSON, GEORGE	1800-1801		
*PEARSON, ISAAC	1761-1765; 1773-1776	1770-1772	
PEARSON, JOHN	1796-1801		
*PEARSON, ROBERT	1764-1790; 1800-1801; 1810-1811	1775	1800-1809
PEARSON, WILLIAM	1794-1801; 1810-1814	1815	1801-1809
PEARSON, WILLIAM	1849-1853		
*PIDGEON, WILLIAM	1754-1760; 1770-1775	1761	
*POLHEMUS, JOHN	1788-1791		
RAMSEY, WILLIAM	1815		
*READ, JOHN	1842-1845; 1849	1842-1845; 1849	
REYNOLDS, EVAN	1798-1800		
*RHEA, JONATHAN	1794-1795	1796-1814	1802-1806
RICKEY, RANDALL	1846		
RIPPON, WILLIAM	1792-1800		1804
*ROSSELL, CLIFFORD B.	1875-1880		
*ROSSELL, ZACHARIAH	1817-1826		
*RUTHERFORD, JOHN		1800-1806	1802-1806
RYNO, EPHRAIM	1820-1822		
*SADLER, WILBUR F., JR.	1913-1916		
SALTAR, JOSEPH	1763-1765		
*SALTAR, RICHARD	1761		
SANFORD, ALVAN	1839-1841		
SCARBOROUGH, J. HARVEY	1900-1912		
SCATTERGOOD, SAMUEL B.	1843		
*SCUDDER, HENDERSON G.	1860-1872; 1881-1882		
SCUDDER, HENRY D.	1884-1899		
*SHREVE, E. MERCER	1871-1884		
SINGER, JOHN	1783; 1786-1791		
SINGER, ROBERT	1783		
*STELLE, PONTIUS	1763-1765		
*STELLE, PONTIUS D.	1794-1799		

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	VESTRY	WARDENS	TRUSTEES
*STEVENS, JAMES A.	1815-1819		
STEVENS, JOHN G.	1860-1861;		
	1873		
STOCKTON, JOHN		1817-1818	
*STRETCH, DAVID E.	1920-1925		
*STRYKER, SAMUEL S.	1828-1871		
TAYLOR	1775-1776		
TEALE, PETER	1796-1797		
THOMPSON, JOHN R.	1819-1821		
THOMPSON, JOSEPH I.	1817-1819		
THROCKMORTON, RICHARD	1791-1797		
THROCKMORTON, SAMUEL	1785-1786		
*THROP, SAMUEL W.	1913-1916		
TOMKINS, CHARLES	1787-1791		
*TRENT, WILLIAM	1783		
*TYRRELL, JOSEPH	1847-1848	1847-1848	
VANDERGRIFF, JOHN	1792-1794;		
	1797-1801		
VANDERGRIFF, JOSEPH	1788-1789;		
	1792-1793;		
	1796-1801		
*VROOM, GARRET D. W.	1872-1873;		
	1899-1912		
WADDELL, HENRY L.	1815-1824		
*WALKER, EDWIN ROBERT	1912-1918;		
	1920-1922		
*WALL, GARRET D.	1817-1824		
*WARRELL, JOSEPH, I	1754-1755		
*WARRELL, JOSEPH, II		1774	
*WARREN, WILLIAM O.	1913-		
WATERMAN, BENONI			1801
WEEDEN, CLAUDIUS P.	1899-1911		
*WILKINSON, FREDERICK R.	1868-1876		
*WILLIAMS, RENSSELAER	1770-1774		
		1783;	
		1785-1787	
*WILSON, SAMUEL K.	1860-1900	1875-1900	
*WILSON, WALTER P.	1917-	1919-	
WITHERUP, ALEXANDER	1813-1814;		
	1817-1819		
*WITT, FRANCIS	1783-1787		
*WOOD, JOSEPH	1837-1843		
*WOODRUFF, GEORGE	1813-1815;		
	1820-1822;	1827-1835	
	1824-1825;		
	1827-1835		
WOODRUFF, P. HOUSTON	1873-1886		
YARDLEY, COURTLAND	1846	1846	

APPENDIX D

CONVENTIONS OF THE DIOCESE OF NEW JERSEY

1785-1925

WITH NAMES OF DELEGATES FROM ST. MICHAEL'S CHURCH. TAKEN FROM THE
JOURNALS OF THE DIOCESE OF NEW JERSEY

**Recorded as present*

†Conventions held in St. Michael's Church

July 6, 1785	(1st sitting) No delegates	Church, Newark, and his congregation. No delegates
May 16, 1786	(2nd sitting) John Douglass*	
Sept. 27, 1786	(3rd sitting) David Brearley*	June 5, 1805 No delegates
	John Cox*	May 29, 1806 No delegates
June 6, 1787	No delegates	May 28, 1807 No delegates
June 4, 1788	No delegates	June 8, 1808 No delegates
June 3, 1789	Samuel Ogden*	May 30, 1809 Charles Higbee*
	John Cox*	†May 30, 1810 Charles Higbee*
†June 2, 1790	Samuel Ogden*	Jacob Hester*
	John Cox*	Joseph Higbee*
June 1, 1791	No delegates	James Oram*
June 6, 1792	Charles Axford*	William Pearson*
June 5, 1793	No delegates	Jonathan Rhea*
June 4, 1794	Abraham G. Claypoole*	May 1, 1811 William Pearson*
June 3, 1795	Jonathan Rhea*	Jonathan Rhea*
June 1, 1796	No delegates	May 6, 1812 No delegates
†June 2, 1797	Abraham G. Claypoole*	May 5, 1813 No delegates
June 6, 1798	No delegates	May 4, 1814 Loos Baker*
Aug. 15, 1798	(Adjourned convention)	Jonathan Rhea*
	Election of the Rev. Uzal Ogden, D.D., as Bishop of New Jersey. General Convention refused to confirm the election	May 3, 1815 No delegates
	John Vandergrift*	†Aug. 30, 1815 Mr. Charles Higbee*
June 5, 1799	Abraham G. Claypoole*	Mr. James A. Stevens*
Oct. 16, 1799	(Special convention)	(Election of the Rev. John Croes as the First Bishop of New Jersey)
	No delegates	Aug. 28, 1816 No delegates
June 4, 1800	William Pearson*	Aug. 20, 1817 Mr. Charles Higbee*
June 3, 1801	No delegates	Aug. 19, 1818 Mr. Joseph Higbee*
June 2, 1802	No delegates	Aug. 18, 1819 No delegates
June 1, 1803	No delegates	Aug. 23, 1820 No delegates
June 6, 1804	No delegates	Aug. 22, 1821 Dr. P. F. Glentworth*
Dec. 19, 1804	(Special Convention)	Mr. Charles Higbee*
	To consider disagreement between the Rev. Uzal Ogden, rector of Trinity	Aug. 21, 1822 Dr. P. F. Glentworth*
		Aug. 20, 1823 Dr. P. F. Glentworth*
		William Halsted, Jr., Esq.*
		†Aug. 18, 1824 Dr. P. F. Glentworth*
		Thomas Gordon, Esq.*
		William Halsted, Esq.*

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May 25, 1825	Mr. Charles C. Frazer*	John R. Dill
May 31, 1826	Zachariah Rossell, Esq.*	Marvin Davis
May 30, 1827	No delegates	Jonathan S. Fish
May 28, 1828	George Woodruff, Esq.*	William Pearson
	Mr. Charles Frazer*	Joseph Tyrrell
May 27, 1829	Mr. Charles Frazer*	Alfred S. Livingston
May 26, 1830	No delegates	Charles L. Pearson
May 25, 1831	Thomas Gordon, Esq.*	Patrick H. Woodruff
May 30, 1832	George Woodruff, Esq.*	May 28, 1851 Samuel S. Stryker*
	William Halsted, Esq.*	Jonathan S. Fish*
Oct. 3, 1832	(Adjourned convention)	William Halsted*
	(Election of the Rev.	Roswell Howe
	George Washington Doane	John R. Dill
	as Second Bishop of New	Allison E. Perrine*
	Jersey)	Josiah N. Bird
	William Halsted, Esq.*	Alfred S. Livingston
	George Woodruff*	Marvin Davis
	J. D. Westcott*	Charles L. Pearson
May 29, 1833	No delegates	Henry Taylor
May 28, 1834	No delegates	Mar. 17, 1852 (Special convention)
May 27, 1835	Charles C. Frazer*	No delegates
	George Woodruff	May 26, 1852 William Halsted*
	William Halstead	Roswell Howe
	James D. Westcott	S. S. Stryker*
May 25, 1836	No delegates	John R. Dill
May 31, 1837	Joshua Hollinshead*	Jonathan S. Fish
	John Mershon*	J. M. Davis*
May 30, 1838	Charles C. Frazer*	William Pearson
May 29, 1839	Hon. William Halsted*	C. C. Haven
May 27, 1840	No delegates	R. H. Shreve
May 26, 1841	No delegates	John S. Taylor
May 25, 1842	Joseph Wood*	John G. Stevens
May 31, 1843	John Read*	Oct. 27, 1852 Special convention to hear
	William Halstead*	the report of the committee
	Joseph Wood*	appointed to investigate
	Thomas Cain*	the charges against Bishop
May 29, 1844	No delegates	Doane in respect to his con-
May 28, 1845	William Halstead*	duct of the affairs of Bur-
	Charles L. Pearson*	lington College
	Thomas Cain*	William Halsted*
May 27, 1846	No delegates	May 25, 1853 No delegates
May 26, 1847	Joseph Tyrrell*	May 31, 1854 No delegates
	Thomas Cain*	May 30, 1855 No delegates
May 31, 1848	William Halsted*	May 28, 1856 R. Howe
May 30, 1849	William Halsted*	J. M. Davis
	Samuel S. Stryker*	W. Halsted*
	Rosell Howe*	W. P. Hunt
	Jonathan S. Fish*	S. S. Stryker
	Joseph Tyrrell*	J. R. Dill
May 29, 1850	William Halsted*	J. S. Fish
	Roswell Howe	S. P. Parham
	Samuel S. Stryker*	May 27, 1857 William Halsted*

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	Charles L. Pearson	May 30, 1871	Samuel K. Wilson*
	Samuel K. Wilson		Augustus R. Montgomery*
	Wm. J. Shreve		James C. DeCou*
	Randall Rickey	May 28, 1872	Henderson G. Scudder*
	Charles Hewitt		O. W. Blackfan*
May 26, 1858	Samuel S. Stryker		James C. DeCou*
	John R. Dill*	May 27, 1873	James C. DeCou*
	William Halsted		E. Mercer Shreve*
	Roswell Howe*		Jacob R. Freese*
	William J. Shreve	May 26, 1874	James C. DeCou*
May 25, 1859	(Election of the Rev. Wil-		Wm. R. McIlvaine*
	liam Henry Odenheimer as		Samuel K. Wilson*
	Third Bishop of New	Nov. 12, 1874	(Special convention)
	Jersey)		(Election of the Rev. John
	Wm. Halsted*		Scarborough as Fourth
	Roswell Howe		Bishop of New Jersey)
	John R. Dill*		William R. McIlvaine*
	Samuel S. Stryker*		Samuel K. Wilson*
	Samuel K. Wilson		James C. DeCou*
June 30, 1860	William Halsted*	May 25, 1875	Jacob R. Freese*
	John R. Dill*		Samuel K. Wilson*
	Ogden W. Blackfan*		James C. DeCou*
May 29, 1861	William Halsted*	†May 30, 1876	Jacob R. Freese*
	John R. Dill*		Samuel K. Wilson*
	Charles H. Wevill*		James C. DeCou*
May 28, 1862	Samuel K. Wilson	May 29, 1877	Jacob R. Freese*
	William R. McIlvaine*		Samuel K. Wilson*
	Charles H. Wevill*		James C. DeCou*
May 27, 1863	Samuel K. Wilson*	May 28, 1878	Charles Hewitt*
	Frederick R. Wilkinson*		Samuel K. Wilson*
	John R. Dill		James C. DeCou*
May 25, 1864	Samuel K. Wilson*	May 27, 1879	Charles Hewitt*
	Samuel S. Stryker*		Samuel K. Wilson
	Timothy West		James C. DeCou*
May 31, 1865	Samuel K. Wilson*	May 25, 1880	Charles P. Smith*
	Samuel S. Stryker		Samuel K. Wilson*
	John R. Dill*		James C. DeCou*
May 30, 1866	Samuel K. Wilson*	†May 31, 1881	Charles P. Smith*
	Col. J. R. Freese*		Samuel K. Wilson*
	James C. DeCou*		James C. DeCou*
May 29, 1867	E. I. Grant, M.D.	May 30, 1882	Charles P. Smith
	J. R. Dill*		Samuel K. Wilson*
	O. W. Blackfan*		James C. DeCou*
May 27, 1868	J. Marvin Davis, M.D.	May 8, 1883	Samuel K. Wilson*
	James C. DeCou*		James C. DeCou*
	Jacob R. Freese*		Wm. C. Anderson
May 25, 1869	William R. McIlvaine*	May 6, 1884	Samuel K. Wilson*
	E. Mercer Shreve		James C. DeCou*
	James C. DeCou*		E. Mercer Shreve
May 31, 1870	Samuel K. Wilson	May 5, 1885	Samuel K. Wilson*
	John R. Dill		James C. DeCou*
	James C. DeCou*		John Kirby, M.D.

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May 4, 1886	Samuel K. Wilson James C. DeCou*	Elias F. Carr*	
	John Kirby, M.D.	Albert L. Gill	
May 3, 1887	Samuel K. Wilson James C. DeCou*	May 3, 1904	James C. DeCou*
	John Kirby, M.D.*		Elias F. Carr*
May 8, 1888	Samuel K. Wilson*		Albert L. Gill*
	James C. DeCou*	May 9, 1905	James C. DeCou*
	John Kirby, M.D.*		Elias F. Carr*
May 7, 1889	Samuel K. Wilson*		Albert L. Gill
	James C. DeCou*	May 8, 1906	James C. DeCou*
	John Kirby, M.D.*		Elias F. Carr*
May 6, 1890	Samuel K. Wilson*		Albert L. Gill*
	James C. DeCou*	†May 14, 1907	James C. DeCou*
	John Kirby, M.D.		Elias F. Carr*
May 5, 1891	Samuel K. Wilson*		Albert L. Gill*
	James C. DeCou*	May 5, 1908	James C. DeCou*
	John Kirby, M.D.*		Elias F. Carr
May 3, 1892	Samuel K. Wilson		Albert L. Gill
	James C. DeCou*	May 4, 1909	James C. DeCou*
	John Kirby, M.D.*		Elias F. Carr*
May 9, 1893	Samuel K. Wilson		Albert L. Gill*
	James C. DeCou*	May 10, 1910	James C. DeCou*
	John Kirby, M.D.*		Elias F. Carr*
May 8, 1894	Weston Jenkins*		Albert L. Gill*
	James C. DeCou*	May 9, 1911	James C. DeCou*
	John Kirby, M.D.*		Albert L. Gill*
May 7, 1895	Henry D. Scudder*		J. H. Scarborough*
	James C. DeCou*	May 7, 1912	James C. DeCou*
	John Kirby, M.D.*		C. L. Patterson*
May 5, 1896	John Kirby		J. Harvey Scarborough*
	James C. DeCou*	May 6, 1913	James C. DeCou*
	Weston Jenkins*		Albert L. Gill*
May 4, 1897	Henry D. Scudder*		Newton A. K. Bugbee
	James C. DeCou*	†May 5, 1914	(Election of the Rt. Rev. Charles H. Brent as Bishop of New Jersey. He de- clined)
	Weston Jenkins*		James C. DeCou*
May 3, 1898	Henry D. Scudder*		William L. Blodgett
	James C. DeCou*		Newton A. K. Bugbee
	Weston Jenkins*	Oct. 7, 1914	(Special convention)
May 9, 1899	Henry D. Scudder*		(Election of the Very Rev. Paul Matthews as Fifth Bishop of New Jersey)
	James C. DeCou*		James C. DeCou*
	Weston Jenkins*		William L. Blodgett*
May 8, 1900	S. K. Wilson		Newton A. K. Bugbee*
	James C. DeCou*		James C. DeCou*
	J. H. Scarborough*	May 4, 1915	James C. DeCou*
May 7, 1901	James C. DeCou*		William L. Blodgett
	John Moses*		Newton A. K. Bugbee
	Albert L. Gill	May 9, 1916	James C. DeCou
†May 13, 1902	James C. DeCou*		Newton A. K. Bugbee*
	Elias F. Carr*		Dr. E. F. Carr*
	Albert L. Gill*		
May 5, 1903	James C. DeCou*		

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May 8, 1917	James C. DeCou Dr. E. F. Carr*	May 9, 1922	James H. Galt* Dr. David E. Stretch*
May 14, 1918	Newton A. K. Bugbee Walter P. Wilson Franklin Hendrickson	May 15, 1923	N. A. K. Bugbee* Walter P. Wilson* James H. Galt* William Starr Myers*
May 6, 1919	Newton A. K. Bugbee David E. Stretch* Walter P. Wilson	Oct. 9, 1923	(Special convention) (Election of the Rt. Rev. Albion W. Knight as bish- op-coadjutor) Newton A. K. Bugbee* Walter P. Wilson* William Starr Myers* James H. Galt*
May 4, 1920	E. R. Walker Franklin Hendrickson David E. Stretch	May 6, 1924	N. A. K. Bugbee* J. H. Galt* S. B. Davies*
May 11, 1921	Newton A. K. Bugbee W. Starr Myers* James H. Galt* Walter P. Wilson	†May 5, 1925	Dr. E. H. Ginnelley* W. S. Myers* W. P. Wilson*
†Oct. 18, 1921	(Special convention) Newton A. K. Bugbee Walter P. Wilson* James H. Galt* William Starr Myers*		

APPENDIX E

DEEDS, LEGACIES, TRUST FUNDS AND BUILDINGS

- 1703 John Hutchinson—Deed for two acres of ground for the "Hopewell Church."
- 1728 George Willocks—Proceeds of sale of land in Monmouth County.
- 1745-1747 John Coxe—Deed for land on which St. Michael's Church stands.
- 1784 Samuel Henry—Legacy £300.
- 1786 Elijah Bond—Legacy, trust fund, £500 for rector's salary.
- 1789 Samuel Tucker—Legacy £30.
- 1792 Samuel Adams "Free black man"—Legacy £3.
- 1839 Elisha Gordon—Ten graveyard lots in "Trenton Cemetery."
- 1853 Trustees of the Sunday School Society—Deed for the Perry Street Property.
- 1860 Joseph Tyrrell—Legacy for Sunday school purposes \$250.00.
- 1860 Joseph Wood—Legacy \$100.00.
- 1876 Samuel K. Wilson—Chapel building on North Clinton Avenue.
- 1877 James M. Davis and wife—Deed for Chestnut Avenue property.
- 1888 Charlotte N. McIntosh—Legacy \$2100.00, of which \$500.00 for Sunday School.
- 1890 Katurah T. Steward through her daughter, Anna E. Foster—\$1000.00.
- 1891 Sarah L. Wilkinson—Legacy \$500.00.
- 1892 Elizabeth A. Smith—Trust Fund for Poor \$3000.00.
- 1892 Samuel K. Wilson—Parish house building.
- 1896 Catherine M. Brearley—Legacy \$1000.00 for Sunday School.
- 1897-1903 Samuel B. Stafford—Legacy, various sums about \$1200.00.
- 1899 Emma M. Titus—Legacy \$5000.00.
- 1903 Elizabeth L. Walburg—Legacy \$1000.00.
- 1921 Bishop's Residence Trust Fund \$14,672.31. For missionary work in Mercer County.
- 1922 Mary F. Murphy—Legacy \$10,000.00.
- 1925 Newton A. K. Bugbee—Plot of ground extending Church property to Perry Street.
Anna M. Stockton—Trust fund \$50.00 for altar purposes.

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A LIST OF GIFTS, TABLETS AND MEMORIALS IN ST. MICHAEL'S CHURCH

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| <i>Approximate
Date</i> | 1708-1926 |
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- 1708—*Articles* for the Hopewell Church (not in present possession). Queen Anne.
- No date—*Silver Flagon and Plate*. Early period.
- 1765—*Silver Alms Plate*. Made by "Magdalen Felin." London. Abigail Coxе.
- 1765—*Church Bell*. Charles Coxе. Carried away during the Revolutionary War.
- 1822—*Tablet*. In memory of / General Jonathan Rhea / who died February 3rd, 1815 / aged 56 years. / Maria Matilda / wife of / Gen. Jonathan Rhea / who died June 11th, 1800 / aged 37 years. / Mary, daughter of / Gen'l Jonathan & Maria Rhea / & wife of Garret D. Wall, Esq. / who died March 27th, 1822 / aged 34 years. / Anthony Rutgers Rhea / son of / Gen'l Jonathan & Maria Rhea / Born November 7th, 1794 / Died August 14th, 1795. /
- 1825—*Tablet* in vestibule. "Memory Doctor John Browne, who departed Life May ye 11th, In the 70th yer of his Age. Born in Northampton, Old England & Educated in London. The soul and body which he wore to God he Freely did Restore to keep it as he did Before. This stone was removed from the family seat on the Banks of the Delaware by his grand-daughter Lucy Jarvis and placed here by his great grand-daughter Elizabeth Lawrence Higbee 1825."
- 1838—*Marble Font*. "Our Mother—Elizabeth Lawrence Higbee 1773-1838."
- 1853—*Silver Alms Plate*. "Felin" pattern. "Lucy Ann Higbee, Ob. April 29, 1853."
- 1853—*Tablet*. "Charles Higbee, Jan. 12, 1769-Feb. 14, 1841. Wife Charlotte Mch. 31, 1786-June 13, 1851." Erected by Vestry.
- 1863—*Silver Flagon*. 2 chalices, spoon.—Anon.
- 1865—*Brass Baptismal Ewer*. "Joseph Crowell Hoff, born Jan. 7th, died Aug. 20, 1865."
- 1896—*Brass Book Stand*. "Easter 1906."—Anon.
- 1899—*Communion Table*, "Robt. F. Stockton, Jr., died 1864." *Cross*. "Robert Field Stockton, born Jan. 22, 1832, died May 4, 1898." *Vase*, "Wm. Woodburne Stockton, May 16, 1872-July 10, 1874." *Vase*, "Mary Stockton Beasley, Nov. 15, 1857-Feb. 18, 1881." By Mrs. Robt. F. Stockton.

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- 1899—*Framed Portrait of Bishop Benjamin Moore*. Consecrated St. Michael's Church 1801. By Miss Rachel Hooper.
- 1906—*Lecturn Bible*. "Josiah H. D. & Frances P. Smoot, of Alexandria, Va., Easter 1906 by Mrs. Wm. Strother Jones in Memory of Father and Mother."
- 1906—*Chancel Prayer Books & Hymnals* (2) "King's Daughters" 1906. "Charles F. Pearson, Easter 1906" by Mrs. Chas. M. Pearson.
- 1906—*Aisle Window*. Memory "Matilda M. Vroom, Charlotta D., Gouveneur R. and Margaret G. Vroom 1906." By G. D. W. Vroom and Mrs. Vroom.
- 1906—*Altar Prayer Book*. "Memory Emeline Merritt Johnson, Easter 1906."
- 1906—*Altar Prayer Book & Hymnal*. "Beulah H. Paul, Easter 1906 by Charlotte B. Ale in Memory of Mother."
- 1906—*Altar Prayer Book*. "Julia S. Atkinson, Easter 1906." By Mrs. Clara M. Ely, daughter.
- 1908—*Brass Alms Basin*. "Memory Rev. Oscar S. Bunting, Rector St. Michael's Church, Dec. 25, 1908, gift of G. D. W. Vroom, Charlotte D. Vroom, Peter D. Vroom."
- 1909—*Silver Paten*. "Memory Emeline Merritt Johnson by her Sister, Louise Merritt Van Kirk, Easter 1909."
- 1916—*Laces* for "Fair Linen" by Mary Winder.
- 1916—*Brass Lecturn Light*. "In Memory of Robert and Elizabeth Maguire by daughter Fannie Maguire."
- 1918—*Brass Pulpit Light*. Gift of Miriam W. Nicklin.
- 1918—*Altar Frontals*, green and purple, by Mr. & Mrs. A. C. Funk, and Mr. & Mrs. Wm. H. Blodgett.
- 1920—*Bronze Tablet*. "To the Glory of God, and in loving Memory of James Clarke DeCou 1839-1917. A member of the Vestry of this Church and Superintendent of the Sunday School for 50 years. Junior Warden 1891-1901. Senior Warden 1901-1917."
- 1922—*Aisle Window*. Memory "Frances Hodgson McCullough 1853-1922." By William G. McCullough.
- 1923—*Aisle Window*. Memory "Mary Taylor Murphy 1860-1921; Irene Murphy 1862-1920." By the Vestry.
- 1923—*Three-Manual Pipe Organ*. In memory of William Hancock and his two daughters, Mrs. Salina A. Toms and Mrs. William E. Bissell, by Mr. and Mrs. Newton A. K. Bugbee.
- 1924—*Silver Breads Box*. "Memory Rev. W. Strother Jones, D.D., Rector St. Michael's Church 1896-1908 by Dr. & Mrs. E. H. Ginnelley."

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- 1924—2 *Silver Alms Plates*. "Felin" pattern—Caldwell. "Memory John Ellis and Calebbina Emlia Painter, 1840-1887 and 1845-1908 by Dr. & Mrs. E. H. Ginnelley."
- 1924—*Litany Book*. "Louis Cooper, died Oct. 23, 1923. By his son Frank H. Cooper."
- 1925—*Silver Chalice and Paten*, Caldwell. "Memory Josephine R. Colkitt, who entered Life Eternal Nov. 2nd, 1922, by daughter" (Mrs. Paul Traub).
- 1926—*Pair Brass Altar Vases*. "In Memory of Richard Hopwood born June 7th, 1867, died Feb. 24, 1918, by wife Mary E. Hopwood."
- 1926—*Aisle Window*. "In Memory of James Murphy 1825-1891; Emily A. Murphy 1827-1912; Edward Appleton Murphy 1862-1924." By Mrs. Randolph Jay.

IN CHAPEL AS RENOVATED 1918

- 1918—*Bishop and Rector's Chairs*. Probably used in Second Church building.
- 1918—*Chancel complete*. 2 Kempe glass Windows, Altar, Cross, 2 Vases, Prayer and Hymnal, Altar Book and Stand, Alms Basin, Frontals and Fair Linen, Rail and Lights in Memory of Margaret Whittaker, March 13th, 1909. Dedicated 1918. Presented by her niece Emma Chambers.
- 1901—*Cabinet Organ*. Gift of Margaret Whittaker.
- 1918—*Aisle Window*, Kempe Glass. "Memory of Henry James Nicklin, 1842-1913 by his wife Miriam W. Nicklin."
- 1918—*Aisle Window*, Kempe Glass. "Memory John Little Murphy, June 19, 1828-May 4, 1900. Sara Briggs Murphy, Jan. 26, 1838-June 27, 1915. By Daughters Mary and Irene Murphy."
- 1915—*Litany Desk and Prayer Book*. "Memory Charlotte Bradshaw Ale, Oct. 16, 1915 by St. Michael's Church Chapter."
- 1909—*Entrance Doors*. "Memory Emeline Merritt Johnson Oct. 27, 1841-Nov. 8, 1908." By Emma Chambers.
- 1909—*Side Door*. "Memory Eliza Carter Freeman died Feb. 16, 1908." By Emma Chambers.
- 1916—*Bible*. "In memory of Susan Weart Blackwell Nov. 30, 1916." By Mrs. Henry C. Blackwell.

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I. TEXT OF DEED GIVEN BY JOHN HUTCHINSON TO THE HOPEWELL CHURCH CONGREGATION

SECRETARY OF STATE—DEEDS AAA, P. 105

April 20, 1703

THIS INDENTURE the twentieth Day of the Second Month Called Aprill in the Second Year of our Sovereigne Lady Ann over England our Queen and in the Year of our Lord According to the Computacon Used in England One thousand Seven hundred and three—Between John Hutchinson of hopewell in the County of Burlington and province of West New Jersey Yeoman on the One part and Andrew Heath Richard Eyre Abiell Davis and Zebulon Heston of the same town County and Province of West New Jersey Aforesaid Yeoman on the other part

WITNESSETH that the Said John Hutchinson for and in Consideracon of the Sum of tenn pounds Current Silver Money of West New Jersey Aforesaid unto him the said John Hutchinson in hand paid by the Said Andrew Heath Richard Eayre Abiell Davis and Zebulon Heston at or before the Sealing and Delivery hereof The receipt whereof he the said John Hutchinson Doth hereby own and acknowledge and thereof and of every part and percle thereof Doth hereby Acquitt releas Exonerate and Discharge the Said Andrew Heath Richard Eayre Abiell Davis and Zebulon Heston them and every of them ther heirs Ex^{rs} and Administrators of them and every of them forever by these presents Hath Given Granted Bargained Sold Alience Enfeoffed released & Confirmd and by these presents Doth fully Clearly and Absolutely Give grant bargain Sell Aliene Enfeoffe release and Confirme unto the Said Andrew Heath Richard Eayre Abiell Davis and Zebulon Heston their heirs and Assignes forever a Certaine peice of Land Lyeing Near to the Lands of the Said Andrew Heath on the Easterly Side of the High Way Leading between the house of Said John Hutchinson & Said Andrew Heath as it Was Surveyed and Laid Out on the Seventh Day of this Instant Aprill Anno 1703 (that is to Say beginning at A black Oak tree Standing on the Eastern Side of the said Highway & goes thence three and thirty Degrees to the Eastward of the South four Chaines to Some Small Hickery Sapling then Northeasterly Sixty Seven Degrees five Chaines to A post then Northwest-erly thirty three Degrees four Chaines to Another post then South Westerly five Chaines to the first beginning Containing two Acres of Land *With free Liberty of Egress and regresse on the South west Side of Said Land from the Said Highway to ye Land and from the Said Land to the High Way att all times forever* Together with all the Mines Mineralls Woods and all other profitts Comodity and hereditaments Whatsoever unto the Same belonging or in Any wise Appertaineing with all the Estate Right title Interest property Clayme

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& Demand Whatsoever of him the said John Hutchinson of in or unto the Said two acres of Land the premises and any Pt or Pts of the Same with Appertenances (either in the law or Equitie with the Reversion and Reversions Remainder and Remainders thereof and of every part and percle thereof To have and to Hold the Said two Acres of Land and all and Singular the granted and bargained premisses and every part and Pet'e of the Same with the Appurtenances unto him the Said Andrew Heath Richard Eayre Abiell Davis & Zebulon Heston their heirs and Assignes to and for the Onely use and behoofe of them the Said Andrew Heath Richard Eayre Abiell Davis & Zebulon Heston their heirs and Assignes forever—And the Said John Hutchinson for him selfe his heirs Ex^{ts} and Adm^{rs} Covenants Grants and Agrees to and With the Said Andrew Heath Richard Eayre Abiell Davis and Zebulon Heston their heirs and Assigns by these presents that at the time of the Sealing and Delivery hereof Hee was Seized of a pure Absolute and indefisable Estate in fee Simple in and to the Said two Acres of Land and in and to all the Computed and bargained premises and every part & Percle of the Same Same with Appurtenances And had then and at that time full power good right and Lawfull Authority to grant bargain and sell the Same to the Said Andrew Heath Richard Eayre Abiell Davis and Zebulon Heston their heirs and Assigns forever in Manner and forme as aforesaid—And that he hath not Willingly or Willingly Comitted Suffered or Done any Act Matter or thing Whatsoever Whereby or by reason Whereof the granted premisses or Any part or percle of the Same is are Shall or may be burden Charged or Incumbred in Any Other title Charge Estate or any incumbrance Otherwise howsoever Other than the Quitt rents thereout Issueing unto Our Sovereigne Lady the Queen her heirs and Successors with the Arrears thereof if any be And Forther that the said John Hutchinson and his heirs Shall and Will from time to time and anytime or times hereafter Dureing the Space of Seven Years Next Ensueing the Date of these Prent^s at the request Cost and Charge in the Law of them the Said Andrew Heath Richard Eayre Abiell Davis and Zebulon Heston their heirs and Assignes Make Doe suffer Acknowledge and Execute or Cause or procure to be made Done Suffered Acknowledged and Executed All and every Such further and Other Act Matter or thing Whatsoever reasonable and Lawfull for the further better and More Pfct Assureing Suremaking Conveying and Confirmeing the Said two Acres of Land and all Other the granted and bargained premisses and every part and percle of the Same with the Appurtenances unto them the Said Richard Eayre Andrew Heath Abiell Davis and Zebulon Heston their heirs and Assignes forever according to the tenour purport true intent and Meaning of these presents Soe as the Pson or Psons unto Whome Such request Shall be made be not Compelled nor Compellable hereby to travill further than the town of Burlington for the Doing and Executing thereof and So as Such further Assurance Containe no further Covenants or Warranty than in these presents are Contained—

In Witness whereof the Said John Hutchinson hath hereunto Sett his hand and Seale the Day and Year first above Written 1703 JOHN HUTCHINSON WTH (Seale) Sealed & Delivered in the Presence of JONATHAN DAVIS WILLIAM WARDLE WILLIAM EMBLY SENIOR.

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2. TEXT OF ACKNOWLEDGMENT APRIL 21, 1703

SECRETARY OF STATE — LIBER AAA, P. 114

To all Christian People to Whome these presents Shall come—Andrew Heath Richard Eayre Abial Davis & Zebulon Heston all of the County of Burlington and Province of West New Jersey Yeoman Sendeth GREETING—

Whereas John Hutchinson of hopewell in the S^d County of Burlington and Province of West New Jersey aforesaid Yeoman by one Indenture of bargain and Sale under his hand and Seale bearing Date the twentieth Day of Aprill in the Year of our Lord 1703 Made Between him the said John Hutchinson on the one part and the Said Andrew Heath Richard Eayre Abiall Davis and Zebulon heston on the other part for the Considerations therein Menconed Did Grant bargain Sell Convey and Confirme unto us the said Andrew Heath Richard Eayre Abiall Davis & Zebulon Heston our heirs and assignes forever A certaine peice of Land Lyeing in hopewell aforesaid neare the Land of Said Andrew Heath on the Easterly Side of the high Way Leading from Said John Hutchinsons House to the Said Andrew Heaths House Containeing two Acres of Land butted and bounded as in the Said Indenture of bargain and Sale together With all the proffitts Commodities and hereditaments Whatsoever unto the Same belonging or in Any Wise Appertaineing as by the Said Indenture of bargain and Sale recurs thereunto being had More at Large Will Appear

Now Know yee that the true Intent and Meaning of the Said John Hutchinson in and by the Said Indenture of Bargains and Sale as aforesaid unto us made is only to Convey Transferr Confirme and Assure the Said two Acres of Land and heretofore granted and every part and Pete of the Same with the Appurtenances unto the Inhabitants of the Said township of Hopewell their heirs and Successors Inhabiting and Dwelling within the said Township forever for the publick and Comon Use and benefitt of the Whole township for the Erecting and building of A publique Meeting house thereon and also for A place of Buriall and for No Other Use and intent or purpose Whatsoever Saving always and all times forever hereafter unto the Said John Hutchinson his heirs and Successors Dwelling within the said township his Equall Share and Proportion of the Privilidges and benefitts thereof as any Other Person or persons there Inhabiting Notwithstanding any thing in the Said Indenture of Bargaine and Sale Contained to the contrary

And further know Yee that Wee the Said Andrew Heath Richard Eayre Abiall Davis and Zebulon Heston Do by these Presents publicquely Acknowledge and Declare that our Names are menconed in the Said recited Indenture of bargain and Sale purely and Simply in trust and Confidence to and for the Uses and behoofe of the Said Inhabitants their heirs and Successors within the Said township Dwelling forever as aforesaid without Any Claime or Demand Whatsoever particularly to our Selves our heirs or Ex^{rs} by Virtue of the recited (Saving allways to our Selves our heirs and Successors Within the Said Township Dwelling or Privilidges to the Same in Comon) anything herein Expressed to the Contrary Notwithstanding

And Wee the Said Andrew Heath Richard Abiall Davis and Zebulon

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Heston for our Selves our heirs Ex^{rs} and Administrators to and With the Said Inhabitants of Hopewell their heirs and Successors Doe Covenant grant and Agree that at any time or times hereafter upon the request and at the Cost and Charges of the Said township above mentioned their heirs or Successors To release convey and Confirme the Said two Acres of Land and all other the granted premisses and every part and Percle of the Same With the Appurtenances unto the Said Inhabitants or their trustees to be Nominated And Appointed to and for the Uses above Menconed and for No Other Uses Intents or purposes Whatsoever

In Witness Whereof Wee have hereunto Sett our hands and Seales the one and twentieth Day of the Second Month called Aprill in the Second Year of our Sovereigne Lady Ann Over England Queen and in the Year of our Lord one thousand Seven hundred and three— Andrew Heath Richard Eayre Abiall Davis Zebulon Zmarkh Heston with their (Seales) Sealed and Delivered in the presence of John Rowland Jonathan Davis William Emley Senior.

3. DEED FOR THE HOPEWELL CHURCH PROPERLY GIVEN BY THE VESTRY OF ST. MICHAEL'S CHURCH TO RALPH LANNING, MAY 15, 1838

MERCER COUNTY DEEDS, LIBER A, P. 29

ST. MICHAEL'S CHURCH TO RALPH LANNING	}	<i>This indenture</i> , made this fourteenth day of May in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight between the Rector, Church Wardens and Vestrymen of the Protestant Episcopal Church of St. Michael's in the City of Trenton, and Ralph Laning of the Township of Ewing in the County of Mercer and State of New Jersey witnesseth, that the said the Rector, Church Wardens and Vestrymen of the Protestant Episcopal Church of St. Michael's in the City of Trenton for and in consideration of the sum of one hundred dollars lawful money of the United States of America unto them in hand paid by the said Ralph Laning before the sealing and delivery of these presents, the receipt whereof the said The Rector, Church Wardens and Vestrymen of the Protestant Episcopal Church of St. Michael's in the City of Trenton do hereby acknowledge, have given, granted, bargained, sold and conveyed and by these presents do give, grant, bargain, sell and convey unto the said Ralph Laning his heirs and assigns all that certain lot of land situate in the Township of Ewing aforesaid, called and known by the name of "the Grave yard lot" and bounded on the East by land of George Woodruff, Esquire, on the North, West and South by other lands of the said Ralph Laning, containing two acres of Land be the same more or less (excepting and reserving thereout all that parcel of ground now enclosed by a stone wall and which said enclosure contains the graves of Samuel Tucker and others and measures thirty-two feet by twenty-seven feet six inches). Together with all and singular the rights, liberties, privileges, hereditaments and ap- purtenances to the same belonging or in any wise appertaining, and the rever- sion and reversions, remainder and remainders, rents, issues and profits
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hereof and of every part and parcel thereof, and also all the estate, right, title, interest, use, possession, property, claim and demand whatsoever, both in law and equity, of them the said The Rector, Church Wardens and Vestrymen of the Protestant Episcopal Church of St. Michael's in the City of Trenton, of, in and, to the said premises with the appurtenances. To have and to hold the said lot of land and premises hereby granted, with the appurtenances unto the said Ralph Laning his heirs and assigns to the only proper use, benefit and behoof of the said Ralph Laning his heirs and assigns forever. And the said The Rector, Church Wardens and Vestrymen of the Protestant Episcopal Church of St. Michael's in the City of Trenton for themselves and their successors do hereby covenant with the said Ralph Laning his heirs and assigns that at the time of the execution of these Presents the said The Rector, Church Wardens and Vestrymen of the Protestant Episcopal Church of St. Michael's in the City of Trenton are lawfully seized in fee of the aforementioned premises; that the same are free from all encumbrances. That the said The Rector, Church Wardens and Vestrymen of the Protestant Episcopal Church of St. Michael's in the City of Trenton, have good right, full power and lawful authority to sell and convey the same to the said Ralph Laning in manner aforesaid; and that the said The Rector, Church Wardens and Vestrymen of the Protestant Episcopal Church of St. Michael's in the City of Trenton, and their successors shall and will warrant and defend the same to the said Ralph Laning his heirs and assigns forever against the lawful claim and demands of all persons whatever.

In Witness Whereof the said The Rector, Church Wardens and Vestrymen of the Protestant Episcopal Church of St. Michael's in the City of Trenton, by John Mershon their Clerk have hereunto set the seal of the said Church and the said John Mershon Clerk as aforesaid has hereunder written his name, the day and year as above written.

The word "Hunterdon" in line eight first
erased and the word "Mercer" inserted.

Sealed and delivered in presence of

SAM^l EVANS

JOHN MERSHON (seal)
*Clerk of Vestry of
St. Michael's Church
Trenton*

STATE OF NEW JERSEY }
MERCER COUNTY }

Be it known that on the fourteenth day of May in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirty-eight before me Samuel Evans one of the Judges of the Inferior Court of Common Pleas in and for the County of Mercer personally appeared John Mershon Clerk of Vestry of St. Michael's Church, Trenton, who is I am satisfied the person who is said Clerk &c executed the foregoing Deed of conveyance and the contents thereof were by me made known unto him and he did thereupon acknowledge that he signed and affixed the seal of the said church and delivered the same for the uses and purposes therein mentioned.

SAMUEL EVANS

Recorded May fifteenth A.D. 1838 RALPH H. SHREVE *Clk.*

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SKETCHES OF FOUNDERS AND BENEFACTORS OF THE HOPEWELL CHURCH

NO. 1. GEORGE KEITH 1639-1716

GEORGE KEITH was born in Aberdeen, Scotland, about 1639, and was educated for the Presbyterian Ministry, at Marichal College in his native City. In 1662 he became a Quaker and worked with Robert Barclay. After being imprisoned for preaching in 1676 he went to Holland and Germany on an evangelistic tour, with George Fox, and William Penn. Two further terms of imprisonment in England induced him (1684) to emigrate to America, where he was surveyor-general in East Jersey, and then a school-master in Philadelphia. He travelled in New England defending Quakerism against the attacks of Increase and Cotton Mather, but after a time falling out with his own folk on the subject of the atonement, accused them of deistic views and started a community of his own called "Christian Quakers" or "Keithians." He endeavoured to advance his views in London, but the yearly meeting of 1694 disowned him, and he established a society at Turner's Hall, in Philpot Lane, where he so far departed from Quaker usage as to administer the two sacraments. In 1700 he conformed to the Anglican Church, and from 1702 to 1704 was an agent for the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel in America. He died on the 27th of March, 1716, at Edburt in Sussex, of which Parish he was the rector. Among his writings were *The Deism of William Penn and His Brethren* (1690), *The Standard of the Quakers examined: or an Answer to the Apology of Robert Barclay* (1702); *A Journal of Travels* (1706). Gilbert Barnst, Bishop of Salisbury, a fellow Aberdonian, speaks of him as "the most learned man that was ever in that sect, and well versed in the Oriental tongues, philosophy and mathematics." (See: *Enc. Brit.*, Eleventh Ed., p. 716.)

NO. 2. JOHN TALBOT 1645-1727

JOHN TALBOT was a gentleman by birth, being the son of Thomas Talbot of Grenville Hall, Norfolk. He was a scholar, having been admitted a Master of Arts at Cambridge University in 1671. When he was fifty-seven years old and Rector of Fertherene, Gloucestershire, he came to America as chaplain of the *Centurion*, the ship which brought George Keith over. The two became great friends, and went together on a missionary tour through the Colonial provinces. When the latter returned to England in 1705, Talbot remained, and accepted the rectorship of St. Mary's Church, Burlington, representing the Society for the Propagation of Gospel both there and in the neighborhood. Within a year of his settlement in Burlington he went to England for a visit, but returned in 1708. He preached in many places both within and without the Jerseys. "I am forced," he complains, "to turn itinerant again for the care of all the Churches from East to West Jersey is upon me: and what

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is worst, I can't confirm any, even if I had a Deacon to help me." He made repeated appeals to the English Church authorities to provide bishops for the Colonial Church, and thus incurred the displeasure of the Colonial authorities, who were opposed to such a measure. He was accused of being a Jacobite, "of incorporating the Jacobites in the Jerseys under the name of a Church, in order to sanctify his insolence and sedition to the Government." He indignantly denied the charge, declaring to the Bishop of London that "he was a Williamite from the beginning and prayed The Lord rebuke the evil spirit of lying and slander that is gone out against the Church." His wardens and vestrymen warmly espoused his cause, and asserted that the accusation was "a very false and groundless slander." He continued to preserve the confidence of the Venerable Society which, on his visit to England in 1720, applied the interest of Archbishop Tenison's legacy for an American Bishopric to his maintenance while in England. He returned to America in 1722, and continued his work in Burlington, though now in his seventy-seventh year. Upon a false charge by his enemies, of arrogating prelatical claims for himself, to wit: that he "conveyed all the clergy to meet, put on his robes and demanded Episcopal obedience, he was virtually dismissed in 1725 from the roll of the S. P. G.," until he could clear himself of the charges made against him. He protested with vigor that he was entirely innocent of the accusation in which contention he was supported by many who were familiar with his career and character. He was never reinstated, although the charges against him were wholly lacking in substantial proof, and were subsequently acknowledged to be so. He only survived two years longer, dying on November 30, 1727. Tiffany says of him: "His memory has always been cherished in New Jersey with abundant honor. He was the fostering father of the infant church in that province and to him more than to anyone else is due the strong root from which has grown so goodly a tree." He lies buried in St. Mary's churchyard, Burlington, a parish which he had founded and served for a quarter of a century.

In 1878, a century and a half after his death, a mural tablet was set up in the church to his memory, which bears the inscription "A Bishop by non-juror Consecration 1722." Into the controversy as to whether Talbot ever was consecrated a bishop, it would be unprofitable to enter in this place. Suffice it to say here, that there is nothing to show that Talbot ever regarded himself as having Episcopal orders, for he certainly never ventured to exercise such office or authority.

(See Tiffany: *A History of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America*, Chap. VII; Hills, *History of the Church in Burlington*, "John Talbot, the First Bishop in North America," pp. 721 ff.; The Rev. Charles S. Lewis, "*John Talbot, Bishop*." A paper read at St. Mary's Church, Burlington, November 19, 1922, in commemoration of his consecration. MS. on file in the library of the Diocesan House, 307 Hamilton Avenue, Trenton.)

NO. 3. DANIEL COXE II, 1673-1739

DANIEL COXE, II, the first to come to this country, was the eldest son of Dr. Daniel Coxe, I, born 1640 or 1641, died 1730, who was one of the most emi-

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nent physicians of his day, a prolific writer on chemistry and medicine, and physician to Charles II. He secured through royal influence large tracts of land in New Jersey, and later acquired from the heir of Edward Byllinge all their interest in West Jersey, together with the rights of government, and thus became the largest proprietor in that division, estimated at more than 600,000 acres. His son Daniel II, the subject of this sketch, was baptized in London August 31, 1673. He seems to have been a favorite of Lord Cornbury, and probably accompanied him to America in 1702. He was appointed by the latter Commander of the forces in West Jersey. He was thereafter known as Colonel Coxe. In 1706, he was appointed one of the associate judges of the Supreme Court of the Province. He married in 1707, Sarah, the daughter of John Eckley of Philadelphia, a Quaker. Subsequently the young bride was baptized by the Rev. John Sharpe, the Governor's Chaplain. In 1708 Colonel Coxe was named as one of the Council by Lord Lovelace, the Governor of New Jersey. He did not get on well with the succeeding Governor, Hunter, on whose request he was removed from the Council in 1713. He was elected to the Assembly in 1714, and again in 1716. In 1734 he was again appointed to be third judge of the Supreme Court, which office he held through to his death. The lands conveyed to him by his father occasioned him no little trouble, and when he asserted his ownership to the 30,000 acres, and the 15,000 in Hopewell and Maidenhead, he was threatened with assassination. Most of his life in America had been spent in Burlington, but during his later years he lived in Trenton, where he died April 25, 1739, and was buried in St. Mary's churchyard, Burlington. He left two sons, Daniel III, and John, and one daughter, Rebecca, whose tombs are in St. Michael's graveyard. His son John deeded the property on which the present church stands.

(Nelson, *N. J. Biographical and Genealogical Notes*, pp. 81-2, adapted and abridged.)

Daniel Coxe was deputed in 1730 as "Provincial Grand Master of the Masonic Order in New York, Pennsylvania and New Jersey." (See Appendix N: 2.)

NO. 4. THOMAS TINDALL

THOMAS TINDALL, a warden of the Hopewell church, 1705, is mentioned as such in the "license to build." He was a resident of Nottingham, Burlington County. In his will made July 18, 1713, proved October 18, 1714, he mentions his wife, Isble (Isabel, Isable) and children; Thomas, Mary, wife of John Pullin, Elizabeth, wife of Robert Pearson, Issable, wife of Issah Vanroome, Ann, William, John, Sarah, Robert, Joseph, Ruth and Isaac. A farm up Assanpink, bought of John Richardson, a farm in Hopewell, now occupied by John Pullin, home farm. Personal property. Executors, the wife and son Thomas. Witnesses—Isaac Atkinson, Mary Emby, John Rogers, Joshua Wright.

(*New Jersey Archives*, Vol. 1, 1670-1730, p. 219.)

His daughter, Elizabeth, was married to Robert Pearson, II, July 26, 1706. Their descendants were afterwards prominent in St. Michael's Church.

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THE TINDALL FAMILY

The Tindall family in this part of New Jersey, were probably descended from Thomas and Isabelle, who came from England about 1678, and purchased a tract of land in what is now (1907) Hamilton township, Mercer county. This land was situated on the north bank of Crosswicks creek, between the old Abbott and Watson tracts, and the old cemetery known as the Pearson graveyard is on this Tindall tract, and in all probability the graves of the earlier members of the Tindall family are located in it. In the Nottingham town book it is recorded that Thomas Tindall owned four hundred and sixty acres of land, and died in 1714. Thomas Tindall, probably a grandson of the first Thomas, built a brick house on what is now the northeast corner of Green and Hanover streets, Trenton, and his initials "T.T." were carved in the gable. . . . (See Lee: *Mercer County*, p. 570.)

NO. 5. ROBERT EATON

ROBERT EATON, a warden of the Hopewell church 1705, is mentioned with Thomas Tindall in the "lycense to build." He was a resident of Amwell, Hunterdon County. At the time of making his will, if married, his wife would appear to have deceased him, and to have left no children, for he leaves all his property to a nephew, William Fish. His will was made March 23, 1743, and proved April 10, 1744. His personal property included "one great Bible." (*New Jersey Archives*, Abstract of Wills, Vol. II, 1730-1750, p. 160.)

NO. 6. ANDREW HEATH

ANDREW HEATH, probably a vestryman of the Hopewell Church 1705, is mentioned in the Hutchinson Deed for the Hopewell Church property, as one of those to whom the land was deeded. He was a resident of Hopewell township.

WILL OF ANDREW HEATH

1716—7 Jan. 3. Heath, Andrew of Hopewell Township, Hunterdon Co., yeoman, wife Hannah—children—Martha (under 18) John, Elizabeth, Andrew, Sarah (under 21) Richard; grandchildren—Elizabeth, Abigail and Andrew Peittet, John Heath, son-in-law Nathaniel Pettit; wife's children—Daniel, Samuel and Hannah Clark. Land at Malazadock do. 600 acres, on the Muskanickcunk Branch of Delaware River, farm bo't of Thomas Truss. Personal property. Executors—Thomas Lambert and Robert Heaton (Eatton) tailor. Witnesses John Plumley and Nathaniel Pettit. Proved December 29, 1720 (*New Jersey Archives*, Abstract of Wills, Vol. I, 1630-1730, p. 465.)

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THE TRENTS OF INVERNESS

FROM a recent research made in Inverness, Scotland, by George Laing Smith, the Town Clerk of that city at the instance of the present writer, in the hope of discovering some facts concerning the family of William Trent and his history before coming to this country, certain interesting information has been gleaned. The following is the text of a letter from the Town Clerk addressed to Howard L. Hughes, the Librarian of the Free Public Library of Trenton, under date October 7, 1925. He writes:

I am favoured with your letter of 25th ulto., with regard to a native of Inverness named William Trent, who went to the American Colonies about the year 1682. Quite recently I happened to be transcribing some of our old Records for publication, and I frequently came across the name of William Trent during my research. The man I refer to, however, must have been the father of the William Trent who went to America, as the former must have died some time previous to 1678. The William Trent referred to in our Records appears to have been a man of importance and substance, as various entries in the Records of the Town Council would indicate. He is described as "Merchant in Inverness." In a minute dated 21st June, 1669, it is recorded that two of the Bailies of the Burgh had been appointed to treat with William Trent and ascertain whether he would undertake the collection of the excise—that is, the local taxes and revenues. Again, on 24th May, 1675, it appears that an arrangement was entered into between the Town and William Trent, whereby the latter was to erect a pier or wharf at the Harbour of Inverness, and that in consideration thereof he was to have a tack or lease of the anchorage and shore dues at the Harbour for a period of five years, together with £100 Scotts money. On 29th August, 1676, it is recorded that a sum of £11: 3: 4d Scotts money was paid to William Trent among others for their expenses "for treats spent in their houses with noblemen and others." Another entry on 18th March, 1678, bears that the Town Council had been treating with the representatives of the "deceased" William Trent for acquiring stones in what was known as the "sconce" for the purpose of completing the work at the pier or bulwark at the Harbour. The "sconce" referred to was the remains of the Fort or Citadel erected by Cromwell during his Army's occupation of Inverness some 20 years previously. Another entry on 21st March 1681, records that a receipt or discharge had been procured from Maurice Trent for the sum of £220 Scotts, which was due by the Town for expenses and charges disbursed by the deceased William Trent, "brother to the said Maurice," on the Town's account in entertaining certain Commissioners. The last reference I have come across referring to William Trent is dated 30th May, 1681, where it is recorded that Maurice Trent, "Merchant in Leith," and another had brought "Charges of Horning against the Magistrates," to infest them upon decrees of adjudication raised at their instance against Mr. Trent's heirs, &c., in the haill lands belonging to the said decessat William Trent, &c."

As I have said, the William Trent who went to the American Colonies in

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1682 may probably have been a son of the William Trent referred to in the Records of Inverness. I hope that the information I have given you may be of some interest and use to you in your researches.

(The MS of the above letter is on file in the Free Public Library, Trenton.)

RESEARCHES OF PHILIP WHARTON DICKINSON

Through the researches of Philip Wharton Dickinson, the genealogist of New York, himself a former resident of Trenton and a member of the well-known Dickinson family of this city, it has been possible to connect up the information furnished from Inverness with that available in this country whereby it would appear that Colonel William Trent was a son of the William Trent of Inverness, whose will was probated in Commissariat of Inverness May 8, 1677. Mr. Dickinson traces the Trent family back to a James Trent of Newbottle who was sheriff of Edinburg and whose will was probated July 30, 1637. He then proceeds to give the result of his researches into the history of the three sons of William Trent of Inverness, Maurice, James and William, all of whom came to this country. Maurice and William remained here permanently but James returned to Scotland in November 1697 and died there. By his will probated July 9, 1698, he left all his estate to his brother William Trent of Philadelphia and appointed him sole executor. Maurice Trent came to the Province of Pennsylvania in 1682, settling at Upland (now Chester) Delaware County, Pennsylvania. He married Mary, daughter of James Sandelands, a native of Scotland. He died September 1697 leaving a widow and two daughters.

The following concerns William Trent, for whom Trenton was named and is abridged from the researches made by Mr. Dickinson.

(MS. on file in the Free Public Library of Trenton.)

NO. I. SKETCH OF WILLIAM TRENT

William Trent was born in the town of Inverness, Scotland, about 1653. He came to this country soon after 1682 and settled in Philadelphia. He became a successful merchant and acquired a considerable fortune so that he was enabled in 1703 to buy the famous "State Roof House" for £850. He became a member of the provincial Council in 1703, a member of the Assembly 1710-1715-1719 and speaker 1718-1719. He and Captain George Roach fitted out (1709) the *Resolution*, a sloop of war for service in the war of England against France. Trent with William Burge and others owned the sloop *Hunter* of Burlington. He purchased in 1714 of Mahlon Stacy, Jr., land on both sides of the Assanpink Creek at the Falls of the Delaware and additional land from others in 1718 and 1721. He removed to his new purchase October 1721 and had a township laid out, which he called "Trent's Town." Governor William Burnett commissioned him colonel of the Hunterdon County militia. He represented Burlington County in the assembly 1722 and became speaker in 1723. He was made judge of the Inferior Court of Common Pleas, Hunterdon County in 1719 and chief justice of New Jersey 1723. He died in Trenton December 25, 1724. His widow renunciated her right to

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administer his estate and his eldest son James filed his bond as administrator with Colonel Daniel Coxe and Alexander Lockhart. In 1726 an inventory of his estate showed the following personal property, £1,100. 18s. 10d. 8 Indian pictures without frames, several books £6, 9 negro slaves, £272. 10s, 2 Indians, £80, a great boat £30.

Trent was twice married (see Mary Trent). By his first wife he had three sons, James, John and Maurice and one daughter Mary. By his second wife, Thomas, died as an infant and William, known as "Major" Trent. (See biographical sketches, Series A).

NO. 2. THE TRENT ARMS

In regard to the armorial bearings actually used by William Trent, it is pointed out by Mr. Hugh B. Rossell of Washington, D.C., himself claiming descent from William Trent, and an authority on heraldry, that the escutcheon is not that of the Trent family, but of Trant of Roscommon, while the crest is that of O'Connor. Mr. Rossell suggests that William Trent either through the blunder of an artist, or else because he considered himself a descendant of the Trant family, mistakenly assumed these Arms. The true Arms of the Trent family have been reconstructed by Mr. Rossell from the blazons credited to the same by the authorities Burke and Fairbairne. He gives the following description of these Arms:

Escutcheon: Per pale argent and gules, two swords in saltire proper, hilts downward, between three roses counterchanged.

Crest: An arm in armor embowed holding in the hand a scimitar.

Motto: Augeo.

NO. 3. MARY TRENT

The Historic Mansions of Philadelphia (Thompson Westcott, 1877) contains a note concerning the "Slate-Roof House" at one time owned and occupied by William Trent, in which connection it is stated (p. 47) that Trent's "first wife was a sister of Judge Coxe," and that "his second wife was Mary Burge daughter of Samuel Eckley of Philadelphia." The following more explicit note is found in Keith, *Prov. Councillors of Pennsylvania*, -(p. 255:)

Samuel Burge, of Phila. . . . only child of William Burge . . . by his wife, Elizabeth, daughter of Henry Stacy. William Burge was the brother of the first wife of William Trent . . . and was half-brother of Sarah Eckley, who married Col. Daniel Coxe of New Jersey.

Thus it would appear that it was not Daniel Coxe's sister whom William Trent married for his first wife, but rather the half sister of Coxe's wife.

In the sketch of Daniel Coxe, contained in Nelson's *N. J. Biographical and Genealogical Notes* (p. 82), taken from *Watson's Annals* (I, 50), there is an account of the romantic elopement and marriage May 8, 1707, of Daniel Coxe to Sarah, daughter of John Eckley, a Quaker of Philadelphia. The marriage was performed by the Rev. John Sharpe. If Trent for his first wife married a half sister of the wife of Colonel Daniel Coxe, that fact falls in naturally with the statement of the Rev. John Sharpe in his *Journal* (p. 273): "March 10, 1708. At Mrs. Trent's I christened Mmd Coxe."

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Sarah Eckley was only seventeen when she was married to Daniel Coxe. She was of a prominent Quaker family, and coming into Church associations her baptism would follow naturally.

In a letter of Margaret Preston's, of 1707, quoted in Watson, *Annals of Philadelphia* (p. 50), she writes: "His (Daniel Coxe's) sister (in-law) Trent was supposed to have promoted the match."

It seems to be clear that Trent married for his first wife Mary Burge, daughter of the "widow Burge," who married for her second husband John Eckley, and had a daughter, Sarah, who was married to Daniel Coxe in 1707.

THE SECOND WIFE OF WILLIAM TRENT

There would appear, however, to be some uncertainty as to whom William Trent married for his second wife, but the probabilities are that she was a Mary Coddington, as stated by Cooley and others, though there is some confusion as to the dates, and no record of the marriage appears to exist.

Mary Coddington was the daughter of Thomas Coddington (son of William Coddington, Governor of Rhode Island) and Mary Howard, his second wife, whom he married in 1690. Their daughter, Mary Coddington, was born in 1694, according to the record as given in *Austin's Genealogical Dictionary of Rhode Island* (p. 278), or 1692 as stated by others. It seems to be clear that the widow of Thomas Coddington and the mother of Mary married for her second husband, Anthony Morris of Philadelphia, January 15, 1695, and that a son, William, was born to them the same year. In Jordan, *Colonial Families of Philadelphia* (p. 53), it is distinctly affirmed that this William Morris was the half-brother of Mary Coddington, the daughter of his mother by her first marriage. It is further stated that he came to Trenton to live, and aided his half sister, Mrs. Trent, in administering certain real estate which had belonged to her husband, William Trent, who died in 1724. Nothing is said as to the date or circumstances of Trent's marriage to Mary Coddington, but we know from other sources that Trent must have married a second time between 1708 and 1710, for his first wife, as we have seen, was living in 1708, and a son, Thomas, by his second wife, was born in 1711, and another son, William, in 1713. If Mary Coddington was born in 1692-1694, she would have been only 16-18 years old when she married William Trent as alleged. The burial of Mary Trent, widow of William Trent, and mother of Thomas and William, is recorded in the Parish Register of St. Michael's Church as "Dec. 15, 1772, aged 83." If the age here given is correct the second Mrs. Trent would have been born in 1689-1690, the year given in the Coddington Genealogy for the marriage of Mary Coddington's parents. The discrepancies in the dates are perhaps not impossible of clarification, though there was certainly quick work all around. Thus Mary Howard, wife of Thomas Coddington, has a daughter Mary born 1692-1694, becomes a widow, married 1695 a second time, and has a son William born the same year. William Trent, whose first wife was living at least as late as March 10, 1708, loses her, marries again and has a son born by his second wife in June, 1711.

While these discrepancies exist, yet in default of any intimation as to the

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second marriage of William Trent to another, and the definite statement by Jordan that William Morris was the half brother of the William Trent's widow, it may safely be assumed that his second wife was Mary Coddington. This also is in accordance with the records of the Rossell family, who are descendants of William Trent by his second wife.

It is certain that the Christian name of the second Mrs. Trent, as also the first, was Mary, for in a letter from Joseph Shippen to his wife, Abigail, under date June 5, 1711, (*Pennsylvania Magazine*, Vol. XXIV, p. 260) he writes:

Mary Trent has got a boye with as little warning as thou used to have. She took but half an hour's time to consider of it.

The Parish Register of Christ Church, Philadelphia, has the following record:

Thomas, son of William and Mary, ye second wife of William Trent, born and baptized June 1, 1711.

The child here mentioned only lived a few months, as the following record of a burial shows:

August 29, 1711, Trent, Thomas, son of William and Mary. (*ibid.*, p. 224.)

NO. 4. THE BURIAL PLACE OF WILLIAM AND MARY TRENT

The question as to the burial place of William Trent has long remained an enigma to the historians. It is known positively that he died in Trenton, December 25, 1724, since the following notice appeared in the *Philadelphia Weekly Mercury*:

December 29, 1724

On Friday 25th of this instant William Trent Esq. Chief judge of the province of New Jersey departed this life, being seized with a fit of apoplexy at his home in Trent-Town.

Cooley, Lee and various other writers have stated, or rather surmised, that Trent was buried in the Old Quaker graveyard, now a part of Riverview Cemetery, Trenton, but there are no records, establishing this to be the case. Nothing is said concerning the matter in the Minutes of the Chesterfield meeting, the omission of which in the case of so distinguished a man, would appear to be unnatural, if he were buried in the Quaker ground, though, ordinarily, as stated by the present custodian of the records, no entry would have been made of names, except members of the meeting.

To the present writer it seems not only highly probable, but wellnigh certain, when all the circumstances are taken into consideration, that the final resting place of the body of William Trent is to be sought in the "God's Acre," the consecrated grave-yard of the Hopewell Church.

There are intimations that William Trent during the period of his residence in Trenton, displayed an interest in the Hopewell Church, and was probably a regular attendant at its services, sometimes entertaining the missionaries at his home.

In Humphrey's *Historical Account of the S. P. G.* (1730) there appears a note, quoted from a letter written under date of May 3, 1722, by the Rev. William Harrison (missionary at the Hopewell Church 1721-1723) to the

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Secretary in which he says that he "went to Mr. Trent's house and with his permission back to Philadelphia as he could not reach the Hopewell Church until Lent."

It is certain that Trent was a devoted member of the Church. Talbot says: "I waited on the Governor, (of Pennsylvania) in company with Mr. Trent the chief man in the Church" (Christ Church, Philadelphia). (Hills, *Hist. Ch. in Burlington*, p. 141.)

Cooley (page 280) has a note to the effect that there was a catechism published in London in 1719 and inscribed to William Trent as a conspicuous Churchman.

Trent was an intimate friend of the Rev. John Talbot, rector of Mary's Church, Burlington. Naturally in the absence of any missionary at Hopewell Talbot would conduct the funeral services for his departed benefactor and friend, and bury him with the rites of the Church, not in the Quaker burying ground, but in the graveyard of the little Hopewell Church where Trent was wont to worship. Talbot, it is true, made no entry of Trent's burial on the records of St. Mary's Parish, but while he seems to have been careful to enter baptisms, he does not appear always to have done so in the case of burials. He makes no entry for instance, of the burial of Jeremiah Bass, a founder and a warden of St. Mary's Church, and one of the most distinguished men of his days, though his body lies buried in the old graveyard.

Moreover, and this seems conclusive, in the Register of St. Michael's Parish, appears the following entry under burials:

Dec 15 1772—Mary Trent—83 years.

Though Trent died in 1724, the Mary Trent of St. Michael's Records could well have been Trent's widow, though she did not die until 1772. Eighty-three years of age at that time, she would have been born in 1689, and be thirty-five years old when she was left a widow.

The entry in St. Michael's records says nothing as to the place of her burial, but there is a strong tradition that her body lies in the old Hopewell graveyard. There is no tradition as to Mary Trent's burial in St. Michael's graveyard, and although this was in constant use at that time, burials were still taking place in the Hopewell graveyard, as we know from the fact that Samuel Tucker was buried there as late as 1789.

That the tradition as to Mary Trent's burial in the Hopewell Church graveyard is an old one is evidenced by the following reference in the *State Gazette* of eighty-three years ago, where it is distinctly stated that such was the case:

The ground was long used as a place of burial by many families. The remains of the widow of Colonel William Trent was buried there." . . . (*State Gazette*, December 6, 1842, 1st page, 5th column.)

This excerpt is taken from "Historical Article No. 11" in which the various Trenton Churches are considered.

The probable reason why Mary Trent was buried in the Hopewell ground rather than St. Michael's, is because she wished to be buried by the side of her distinguished husband, who was also buried there before her. This as-

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sumption may fall short of actual demonstration, but in the mind of the writer it approaches the edge of certainty.

If it were possible to locate the ground within the two acres where the actual graves are and turn up the soil it is probable something might be discovered. Possibly the tomb of the Trents was covered by a stone slab originally raised slightly above the surface, as was customary in those days, but through the forgetfulness and neglect of one hundred and fifty years, together with the ravages of time, all traces of the tomb have been lost.

NO. 5. THE HOPEWELL GRAVEYARD PLOT

In Hall's *History of the Presbyterian Church in Trenton*, (p. 18, 2nd Edition, 1912), there is a description of the Hopewell graveyard plot, evidently as Dr. Hall saw it when he published the 1st Edition in 1859.

The inclosure is made by a stone wall now falling into ruins and has the appearance of having been designed for a family cemetery. The only grave-stones remaining are those of Samuel Tucker, 1789, and Mrs. Tucker, 1787. . . . one in memory of John, son of William and Elizabeth Clayton, who died November 6, 1757 (possibly 1737), aged 19 years; another of "Ma (probably Margaret) the wife of John Dagworthy Esq., who died May 16, 1729, aged 37 years"; and a few which cannot be deciphered beyond "Grace Da—" or "Hend" etc. It is said that the widow of William Trent, whose name was given to the town, was buried here, but there is no trace of the grave.

Doubtless during the period before the graveyard of St. Michael's Church was established about 1750, several generations of Church people were buried in the old Hopewell graveyard, but there remains no record of the names of any such, except of those who were buried in the little plot where lie the remains of Samuel Tucker and a few others.

Since the Tucker plot was originally protected by a stone wall these graves alone have survived the ravages of time, while the others scattered over the original two acres remain unidentified as in the case of William and Mary Trent.

NO. 6. THE HOME OF WILLIAM TRENT—"BLOOMSBURY COURT"

"Bloomsbury Court," now known as "Woodlawn," was built by William Trent and occupied as a residence by him when he came to live in Trenton in 1721, and he died there in 1724. The house was built of bricks brought from England as ballast by the Trent and Penn merchantmen. A wooden addition was made by James H. Redman during his occupancy of the mansion, a feature which, to say the least, has not increased the dignity of the building, and which, it is to be hoped, will some day be removed in favor of a restoration of the house to its original integrity. During Revolutionary days the house was occupied for a period by Dr. William Bryant, a well-known physician, and later came into the possession of Colonel John Cox, patriot and churchman, who made his home there for a period during the closing years of the eighteenth century. Afterwards the mansion was occupied by several well-known families, including the Redmans, Hewitts, Prices, Woods, and

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finally by the Stokes, to whom it belongs at the present time, though not now occupied by them.

Though the present surroundings are sordid and the glory of the place has long since departed, the old time memories which cluster about this historic mansion would seem to call for its restoration and public ownership as a civic and patriotic shrine. Surely Trenton ought to cherish its oldest existing building, the home two centuries ago of the man who gave the town its name, and which in later years was the center of so much that was memorable in its annals.

A CENTER OF SOCIAL LIFE

During the Cox régime "Bloomsbury Court" was the scene of many brilliant social events, the grace and beauty of the hostess and her daughters drawing thither, if we are to believe the chroniclers of those days, representatives of the élite of the fashionable world from Philadelphia, Trenton and the surrounding countryside. General Washington and his wife are said to have been entertained there and Lafayette, Rochambeau and other distinguished Frenchmen and foreigners were among the noted guests. Of these strangers perhaps the most romantic figure was that of a young Swedish aide-de-camp to Rochambeau, Count Hans Axel Fersen. Marie Antoinette is said to have fallen a victim to his manly beauty and chivalrous charms. There is a story to the effect that the two often roamed the streets of Paris together in disguise. Rumor said that his advent in America was due to the gossip occasioned in the Court circles of Versailles over the partiality of the sprightly Queen for the society of "le beau Fersen." He entered the French military service in 1779, and accompanied Rochambeau to America as his adjutant, distinguishing himself at the siege of Yorktown. He returned to France shortly afterwards and took a leading part in the disastrous flight to Varennes of Louis XIV and Marie Antoinette on June 20, 1791. He was the coachman of the *fiacre* which drove the royal family from the Carrousal to the Porte Saint Martin, and accompanied them as far as Bondy, the first stage of the journey. Subsequently he returned to Sweden and held high positions in the Swedish army. On June 20, 1810, he was brutally murdered by a mob at the time of the funeral of Charles Augustus, who had been elected to succeed Gustavus IV—and for whose death he was popularly but erroneously supposed to have been responsible. (See Mills, *Historic Houses of New Jersey*, p. 264, J. P. Lippincott Company 1902; Article "Fersen, Hans Axel," *Ency. Brit.*, 11th Edition, Vol. X, p. 291.)

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CHURCH LOTTERIES

Lottery—1751-1752 for finishing the Church in Trenton

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P. 79: Of the Trenton (in New-Jersey) Lottery, for raising Three Hundred, Ninety-Three Pounds, Fifteen Shillings, for finishing and compleating the Church in said town, consisting of 3,500 Tickets, at Fifteen Shilling's Proc. money each, 641 of which to be fortunate, as follows, viz—

NUMBER OF PRIZES		VALUE OF EACH		TOTAL VALUE	
		£		£	s.
2	of	100	are	200	— 0
4	of	50	are	200	— 0
4	of	40	are	160	— 0
4	of	30	are	120	— 0
5	of	20	are	100	— 0
7	of	15	are	105	— 0
20	of	10	are	200	— 0
25	of	7	are	175	— 0
70	of	3	are	210	— 0
500	of	1. 10s.	are	750	— 0
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Prizes	641		First drawn	6—0	
Blanks	2859		Last drawn	5—5	
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3500 Tickets, at Fifteen Shillings			£2231	— 5	
each, are 2625 l.			£2231	— 5	
From which deduct 15 per cent			£ 393	—15	
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			£2625	— 0	

The drawing to commence on or before the second day of September next, at the house of Nathaniel Parker, in Bucks county, in the province of Pennsylvania, if filled by that time, under the care and management of Messieurs Robert Pearson, Robert Lettice Hooper, John Allen, David Dunbar, Elijah Bond, John Dagworthy, Jun. Daniel Biles, and William Pidgeon; who are to dispose of the tickets, and be under oath for the faithful management of the same. The fortunate are to receive their prizes entire, the 15 per Cent, being deducted from the whole sum produced by the sale of the tickets, before the drawing begins, and not from the prizes as they are drawn. Fourteen days notice at least to be given before the day of drawing. The prizes to be printed in this paper, when the drawing is concluded. The tickets are to be sold by the several managers, and by Messieurs David Martin,

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Andrew Read, William (p. 81) Coxe, William Franklin, and David Hall in Philadelphia; John Garrison, in Amwell; Peter Kimble and Francis Costigan, in Brunswick; Daniel Coxe in Hopewell, John Berrian, in Rockey-hill; Lewis Ashfield, and John Stevens in Amboy; and James Parker, in New York. (*Pennsylvania Gazette*, June 20, 1751.)

P. 86: Trenton Lottery Tickets sold by David Hall, at the Post Office. (*Pennsylvania Gazette*, July 25, 1751.)

P. 94: Trenton Lottery Tickets to be sold by the Printer hereof, at fifteen shillings, Proclamation, each.
(*The New York Gazette revived in the Weekly Post Boy*, August 19, 1751.)

P. 114: The managers of the lottery, set on foot to finish the church at Trenton, beg leave to acquaint the publick, that the true reason of the lottery's not being drawn at the time limited, was intirely owing to the want of intelligence of the sale of a number of tickets dispersed in different hands about the country; and that they now request of those gentlemen, who shall have any tickets left unsold by the first of February, that they would return them to the managers; and the lottery will be peremptorily be drawn in one week after.
(*Pennsylvania Gazette*, November 21, 1751.)

P. 103: Trenton Lottery Tickets sold by William Franklin, in Market-street, between Third and Fourth-streets.
(*Pennsylvania Gazette*, October 24, 1751.)

P. 119: The Drawing of the Lottery at Trentown, for finishing the Church there, is fixed certainly the Beginning of February next.—There is still remaining to sell, some tickets in the Hands of the Printer hereof; and those that remain unsold by the Middle of January, will be then returned without Fail.—(*The New York Gazette revived in the Weekly Post Boy*, December 9, 1751.)

P. 134: Stolen out of the pocket of Thomas Robbs, of this city, on the 4th inst. at the house of John Smith, Tavernkeeper, at the sigh of the Lamb, about a mile from this city, on Frankford road, a pocket-book, containing about Twenty-five Shillings in money, and five Trenton lottery tickets, the numbers are 3056, 3057, 3095, 3096, and 3097. Whoever secures the thief, so as he may be brought to justice, and the money and tickets, had again, shall have Ten Shillings reward, paid by Thomas Robbs.
(*Pennsylvania Gazette*, February 18, 1752.)

P. 141: Whereas by reason of the severity of the season, and fluctuating condition the ice was in, it was impracticable either to pass the river Delaware, to the place appointed for drawing the Trenton Lottery on the Pennsylvania side, or to get an account of the tickets sold, remitted to the managers, at the time fixed for drawing the lottery, in so particular a manner as was necessary, to enable them to proceed in the execution of that design;

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tho' they have had general intelligence of a very successful sale, for which they are obliged to the publick. The management therefore find themselves under a necessity to delay the drawing for some small space of time, till they can with convenience get the tickets returned, and make the necessary preparations; and hereby desire all gentlemen who have done them the favour to sell tickets, to send in an account of what tickets they have sold, and give back the tickets remaining in their hands undisposed of by the twentieth day of April, that they may do justice to the purchasers by (*p. 142*) drawing the same; they are determin'd to begin on the twenty-seventh of said month, and continue the same from that time till finish'd, at the house of Nathaniel Parker, in Bucks county, being the *ferry-house* from the Pennsylvania side over to Trenton. (*Pennsylvania Gazette*, March 17, 1752.)

P. 149: The Trenton Lottery is to begin drawing this Day; there are a few Tickets in the Hands of the Printer hereof; which will be continued to be sold (*p. 150*) till To-morrow Night; when such as remain unsold, will be seal'd up, and return'd to the Managers. (*The New York Gazette revived in the Weekly Post Boy*, April 27, 1752.)

P. 157: The Numbers of the Prizes in the Trenton Lottery are come to Hand, and will be printed by Wednesday Evening next; when all those who are desirous to see them, may either come or send. And whoever have purchased their Tickets of the Printer hereof, and have drawn Prizes, are desired to call for their Money within ten Days, or the Money will be paid out in his Hands. (*The New York Gazette revived in the Weekly Post Boy*, June 1, 1752.)

P. 160: Those who had Trenton Lottery-Tickets of the Printer hereof, and have drawn Prizes, are desired to call for their Money, if they have not yet seen the numbers, they may have them for sending for. (*The New York Gazette revived in the Weekly Post Boy*, June 8, 1752.)

P. 171: Trenton, July 29, 1752.

This is to give notice to those persons, who have had tickets in the late lottery, for finishing the church (*p. 172*) at Trenton, and not paid for them, that unless they pay them off by the 12th day of August next, they will oblige the managers to proceed against them as the law directs. (*Pennsylvania Gazette*, July 30, 1752.)

Joint Lottery—1773 for Episcopal and Presbyterian Churches in Trenton

(N. J. ARCHIVES, VOL. XXVIII)

Trenton, May 22, 1773.

P. 522: The Managers of the Fishing-Land Lottery, for the benefit of the Episcopal and Presbyterian Churches, in Trenton, are under the Necessity of postponing drawing said Lottery, until Thursday, the first Day of July next, at which Time the Lottery will certainly be drawn. They desire their Friends who have had Tickets to sell (if they have any in hand) to return them to the Managers before that Time. (*Rivington's New York Gazette*, June 3, 1773.)

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P. 561: The Managers of Trenton Fishing-Island Lottery having a Number of Tickets returned by their Friends at a Distance, cannot conveniently comply with their former Advertisement, have therefore postponed drawing till Wednesday, the First of September next, at which Time they will certainly begin to draw, even if the Tickets they have now on Hand should then be unsold. Trenton, July 1, 1773. (*Pennsylvania Gazette*, July 14, 1773.)

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TRENTON FISHING-ISLAND LOTTERY (SECOND CLASS)

P. 136: The great encouragement given in the First Class of this Lottery, by the Public, enables the Managers to propose beginning the Drawing the Second Class (as most of the Tickets are already disposed of) on the First Day of January next; in this Class is a Prize of 600 Dollars, one of 300, one of 150, &c. but little more than two Blanks to a Prize. Persons desirous of becoming Adventurers, by a Speedy Application may be supplied with Tickets, enquiring of Robert Pearson, Abraham Hunt, Isaac Allen, Alexander Chambers, Joseph Warrell, William Tucker, Charles Harrison, and Daniel Clark, of Trenton. (*Pennsylvania Gazette*, December 8, 1773.)

Joint Lottery—1791. Petition Refused

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

Monday, November 14, 1791 (A.M.)

A petition from the Presbyterian and Episcopal Churches in Trenton, praying Leave to bring in a Bill, for raising a sum of Money by Lottery, for the Use of said Churches, was read and ordered a second Reading.

Tuesday, November 15, 1791 (P.M.)

The Petition was read a second Time.

Resolved, That the Prayer of the Petition be granted.

Thursday, November 17, 1791 (A.M.)

Mr. (John) Lambert, pursuant to Leave, presented a Bill, intituled, "An Act empowering the Trustees of the Presbyterian Church, and the Minister, Wardens, and Vestry of the Episcopal Church in Trenton, to have a Lottery, for the purpose therein mentioned;" which was read and ordered a second Reading.

Friday, November 18, 1791 (A.M.)

The Bill read a 2d Time & ordered to be engrossed.

The Bill Passed in Council. (P.M.)

The House

Friday, November 18, 1791 (P.M.)

The Bill received in the House; ordered a 2d reading.

Tuesday, November 22, 1791 (P.M.)

The Bill read 2d Time & ordered a third reading.

Wednesday, November 23, 1791 (A.M.)

The Bill lost. Yeas, 15; Nays, 19."

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Joint Lottery—1794. Petition Refused

PETITION. MANUSCRIPT NO. 3, 193 A. M.

Office of Secretary of State, Trenton, N.J.

(PRESENTED IN LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL ON JANUARY 11, 1794)

TO THE HONORABLE THE LEGISLATIVE OF THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY.

The Petition of the Trustees of the Presbyterian Church in the City of Trenton and of the Minister, Wardens & Vestry of the Episcopal Church of the said place,

Humbly Sheweth, That the Congregations which your Petitioners represent have for some time past experienced many inconveniences on Account of the condition of their Houses of Worship— That the Trustees of the Presbyterian Church have found on examination, that the Congregation cannot be accommodated with satisfaction unless very considerable Repairs and Additions be made, the amount of which will be so great, as that they have concluded it better to erect a new Church, provided they can receive some Assistance from the Legislature, by means of a Lottery— That the Minister, Wardens and Vestry of the Episcopal Church are desirous of making certain repairs and Additions to their Church, so as to render the same more convenient, which they can only effectuate by the like means.

Your Petitioners are persuaded, that the Legislature of this State, fully impressed with the importance of the object contemplated by your Petitioners so far as regards themselves and the Intent of society, will not hesitate to grant to your Petitioners that privilege which has been so often extended to other parts of the State, and therefore pray that a / Law may be passed to authorize them to raise by Lottery the sum of fifteen hundred pounds lawful money of this State, three fourths of which sum to be appropriated to the use of the Presbyterian Church and one fourth to the use of the Episcopal Church aforesaid— And your petitioners, as in duty bound will ever pray &c.

Wardens

ISAAC DE COU

Trustees of the Presbyterian Church

ALEXR. CHAMBERS

A HUNT

MOORE FURMAN

ISAAC SMITH

B. SMITH

BD. HANLON

AN D. WOODRUFF

RD. THROCKMORTON

CHAS. AXFORD

WILLIAM RIPPON

JOSEPH VANDEGRIFT

ABR G. CLAYPOOLE

Indorsed

Petition of the Presbyterian & Episcopal Churches of Trenton for a Lottery."

Presented ordered to have a second Reading.

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Legislative Council

Saturday, January 11, 1794 (A.M.)

A Petition from the Trustees of the Presbyterian Church, and of the Wardens and Vestry of the Episcopal Church, in the City of Trenton, praying a Lottery to enable them to build a new Presbyterian Church and to make repairs in the Episcopal Church, was read and ordered a second Reading.

Wednesday, January 28, 1794 (A.M.)

The Petition read a 2d time.

Ordered, That the Petitioners have leave to present a Bill.

Thursday, January 29, 1794 (P.M.)

Mr. Henderson, pursuant to Leave, presented the following Bill—"An Act to authorize the Church Wardens and Vestry of the Episcopal Church in the City of Trenton, the Trustees of the Presbyterian Church in the Same Place, &c.—was read and ordered 2^d reading.

Friday, February 7, 1794 (A.M.)

The Bill on 2d reading and ordered to be engrossed.

Friday, February 14, 1794 (P.M.)

The Bill lost; Vote: Yeas 4; Nays 7.

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"THE FAITH OF THE SIGNERS OF THE DECLARATION OF INDEPENDENCE"

THE following is taken from a pamphlet published in 1895 by William Stevens Perry, late Bishop of Iowa and official historiographer of the American Church. (Pamphlet now out of print, but a copy in my possession.)

"The resolution declaring the thirteen Colonies free and independent was moved in the Congress of 1776 by Richard Henry Lee of Virginia, a churchman and vestryman. The chairman of the Committee of Congress to whom this resolution was referred and by whom the Declaration was reported after its discussion and adoption in 'Committee of the whole' was Benjamin Harrison of Virginia, a Churchman and vestryman. The author of the Declaration itself, Thomas Jefferson of Virginia, although in his later life regarded as an 'infidel' and certainly holding and advocating at times views quite inconsistent with those accepted by any Christian body, served as a vestryman in his early days and was by birth and baptism connected with the Church. To the very last of his life he was a regular attendant at Church and must be classed, in view of his baptism, family associations and life-long attendance in the services of the Church as, at least a nominal Churchman." . . .

Giving the number of Churchmen in the Congress of 1776 according to states, Bishop Perry records the following:

"One signer from Massachusetts, Elbridge Gerry, afterwards Vice-President of the United States; all but one (William Floyd) of the signers from New York; one signer from New Jersey, Francis Hopkinson, poet and jurist and father of the author of 'Hail Columbia,' all the signers from Pennsylvania but James Smith, whose religious connection is not known with certainty and possibly one other: all the signers from Delaware but one, Thomas McKean; all the signers from Maryland but one, Charles Carroll of Carrollton; all from Virginia, North Carolina and South Carolina; and all but one, Lyman Hall, from Georgia, making two-thirds of the whole number of signers who were Churchmen as well as Patriots, and must be regarded as attesting the patriotism of the Churchman of the various communities from whence they were sent to Congress.

"Of the fifty-six actual 'signers,' thirty-four were Churchmen . . . twelve of the Signers were Congregationalists, five or six were Presbyterians, three were Quakers, one was a Baptist, one was a Roman Catholic.

"The predominance of the Church element, two-thirds of the actual signers, if we include James Smith and lacking but one of two-thirds if we concede him to the Presbyterians, and three-fourths of those who voted for and favored the Declaration of Independence, if we include those who for good and sufficient reason were unable to affix their names to the engrossed

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parchment in August, is thus made clear. It will be borne in mind that no name has been regarded as that of a 'Churchman' without conclusive testimony to this effect having been obtained, either MS. or printed." . . .

In this pamphlet from which the foregoing excerpts have been taken, Bishop Perry gives the names with the church affiliations of all the signers, both of those who were members of the Congress in July 1776 and signed then, as also of those who subsequently affixed their names to the document. Thus, New Jersey, Richard Stockton (Presbyterian or Quaker), Abraham Clark (Presbyterian), John Hart (Baptist), Francis Hopkinson (Churchman), John Witherspoon (Presbyterian).

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WHERE SOME TRENTONIANS LIVED IN REVOLUTIONARY DAYS

IN connection with the accompanying map of Trenton facing p. 55, showing the topographical conditions here at about the period of the War of the Revolution, it may prove of interest to indicate the localities where some prominent people lived at that time, especially parishioners of St. Michael's Church. The information is derived mainly from Stryker's pamphlet *Trenton One Hundred Years Ago*.

The names of the streets in Trenton as we are familiar with them today, then bore different titles; thus State Street was Second; Warren, King; Broad, Queen; East Hanover, Third; Academy, Fourth. There was then no Perry Street, but Church Alley to the north of St. Michael's Church ran between King and Queen, and Pinkerton's Alley west of Queen, now a part of Hanover Street, did likewise. Front Street had then the same name. Second Street, our East and West State Street, was a short street running west only about as far as what is now Willow Street, thence giving access to the River Road, and East State Street extended not much further than what is now Montgomery Street, then known as "Quaker Lane," thence passing into a lane bordering an apple orchard and leading to Samuel Henry's Iron Works at the Creek. What we know as South Warren Street then ended at Front Street. Pennington Avenue was Pennington Road. Brunswick Avenue Brunswick Road, and Princeton Avenue was a mere lane leading to the Beakes' Estate. Calhoun Street was a country roadway connecting Beatty's Ferry with the Pennington Road. The estate known as "Belleville" and occupied in turn by many distinguished families, was about at the junction of West State Street and Prospect. The "Hermitage" afterwards the Atterbury estate, where General Philemon Dickinson lived, was then far out in the country on the River Road, and "Bloomsbury Court," the mansion built by Colonel William Trent and now known as "Woodlawn" on South Warren Street, was equally remote from the town and surrounded by farm land.

Stryker says, "The town above the Creek may be considered as bounded by what we call today the Creek, Montgomery Street, Perry and Willow; all outside was in the suburbs.

"All the ground south of Front Street along the Assanpink creek from the orchard to the river was called 'Peace's Meadows' and was low and swampy. The land lying on each side of the road to Bordentown, south of the creek was then called Littleboro, also Kingsbury, the farm west of that road Bloomsbury and the village along the shore below Bloomsbury farm called Lamberton after Thomas Lambert," the first settler.

Bearing in mind the topographical conditions, and the former nomencla-

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ture of a few streets, it should be easy and pleasant to trace the local habitations of some of those who lived in Trenton a century and one half ago.

CHARLES AXFORD, a vestryman, lived on the west side of King Street about where it is now crossed by the Feeder. The house was demolished when the Feeder was built.

THOMAS BARNES, a vestryman, with his sisters Mary and Sarah, lived in a house on King Street on the ground now occupied by the Third Presbyterian Church.

JOHN BARNES, a vestryman and high sheriff of Hunterdon County until July 1776, lived in an old stone house on the southwest corner of Queen Street and Lafayette. George Washington occupied this house as his headquarters from December 30, 1776, to January 2, 1777, and here assembled the matrons who welcomed him in 1789, on his triumphal journey to New York to be inaugurated as the First President of the United States. It was afterwards the home of Charles Ewing Green, chief justice of New Jersey.

DAVID BREARLEY, a warden, lived for a season on the south side of the Pennington road, a short distance above what is now Calhoun Street. This was formerly the home of Abraham Cottnam whose daughter Brearley married.

CAPTAIN JOHN CLUNN, vestryman, kept an inn in Lamberton below Trenton Landing.

ABRAHAM G. CLAYPOOLE, a vestryman kept a store on the northeast corner of King and Second Streets.

ISAAC COLLINS, the printer of the *Gazette* and *Collins' Bible* had his establishment at Queen Street at the southeast corner of Second.

REBECCA COXE, lived south of the home of Stacy Potts on King Street, and almost opposite St. Michael's Church.

COL. JOHN COX, a vestryman, lived during and after the war, 1780-1790, in "Bloomsbury Court," the mansion built and occupied by William Trent about 1720. Dr. William Bryant previously lived there at the time of the Battle of Trenton.

JOHN DAGWORTHY, Sr., a vestryman, lived at the southwest corner of Second and King Streets where the Mechanics' Bank now stands. This house was occupied in 1740 by Governor Lewis Morris. It was also for a period the home of Samuel Henry, a parishioner, and during the Revolutionary War (1780) was a famous tavern "The French Arms." The Continental Congress met here in 1784, and here Lafayette in the same year took final farewell of Congress. It was also at one time a tavern kept by Francis Witt, a vestryman.

ISAAC DE COW, warden and vestryman, lived in a brick house on King Street at the north side of De Cow's Alley. There was an alley running west

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from King Street where West Hanover Street is now, and this led off to the River road. President John Adams occupied the house as his official residence in 1798, and it was subsequently known as the Phoenix Hotel.

BARNT DE KLYN, a vestryman, lived in Lamberton on an estate which formerly belonged to Major William Trent. He also built later the mansion known as "Bow Hill," which he leased to Joseph Bonaparte.

ALEXANDER DOUGLASS, at whose house Washington held a council of war, January 2, 1777, lived on ground now occupied by the German Lutheran Church on South Broad Street. Later the house was transferred to another location. In 1925 the building was removed to Stacy Park and is preserved as a monument.

JAMES EMERSON, a vestryman, lived on the north side of Front Street west of Hunt's Alley.

MOORE FURMAN, lived on Second Street where the State Street House, now the Hotel Sterling, stood.

JOSEPH HIGBEE II, a vestryman, lived on the west side of King Street near where the United States Hotel formerly stood. His son Joseph III, built a stone house on West State Street, which he called "Richmond Hill," which was later demolished to make way for the present home of Col. Washington A. Roebling. Another son, Charles Higbee, lived in a brick house opposite the State House, which was formerly the residence of Jonathan Rhea, and later became the home of Philemon Dickinson.

ROBERT LETTIS HOOPER, III, a warden and vestryman, lived in "Belleville" as did also Joseph Warrell, Jr., another vestryman.

MICHAJAH HOW, a warden and vestryman, lived in what was subsequently known as the "Leake" property on King Street, where the "Elks" building now stands.

ABRAHAM HUNT lived in a house at the northwest corner of King and Second Streets. It was at this house that Colonel Rall was being entertained on the eve of the Battle of Trenton, December 25, 1776.

JOSEPH MILNOR, vestryman, had a store in a large stone house at the northwest corner of Second and Queen Streets, where the State Gazette building formerly stood.

WILLIAM PEARSON, a warden and vestryman, lived a short distance south of the entrance to the Ferry Road.

WILLIAM PIDGEON, a vestryman, lived on the east side of King Street, near where the Trenton House now stands.

STACY POTTS lived on the west side of King Street about where St. Mary's rectory stands. Here following the Battle of Trenton the Hessian commander, Colonel Rall, who occupied it as his headquarters, died of his wounds.

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PONTIUS DELARE STELLE, a vestryman, lived on the southeast side of King Street, at what would now be the corner of Perry Street.

THOMAS TINDALL, a descendant of Thomas Tindall, warden of the Hopewell Church, 1705, built a brick house at the northeast corner of Queen and Third Streets.

SAMUEL TUCKER, lived at the southwest corner of King and Second Streets.

JOSEPH VANDERGRIFF, vestryman, lived on Queen Street south of Pinkerton's Alley.

RENSSELAER WILLIAMS, a warden and vestryman, at one time before he removed to King Street, kept an Inn at the Trenton Ferry landing.

ISAAC YARD lived on the west side of Queen Street about two hundred feet north of Pinkerton's Alley.

At the head of a lane which is now Princeton Avenue was the home of Nathan Beakes who married Mary, daughter of Major William Trent.

MAJOR WILLIAM TRENT, a vestryman, had an estate in Lamberton, near the lower Ferry which was afterwards bought by Barnt De Klyn.

SAMUEL MEREDITH, a vestryman, occupied an estate known as "Beaver Hall" down the Delaware some two miles from the City.

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BONAPARTE, "BOW HILL" AND THE MURATS

An entry of a burial in the Parish Register under date December 7, 1823, reads:

Pauline Josephann infant child of Joseph Bonaparte and Mrs. Holton.

Above the grave close to the north wall of the Church is a monument enclosed by an iron fence, surmounted by a dove. On the front of the shaft is this inscription, now somewhat weather-worn:

Erected
By a Bereft Mother
to the Memory
of a beloved Child
PAULINE JOSEPHANN HOLTON
who departed this life
Dec 6 1823
Aged 4 years

Below this inscription are carved the following pathetic lines:

Oh! fate severe! Is then my Pauline dead:
From earth to heaven her angel spirit fled—
My sweet Pauline! that lovely bud
Twas never to expand—
Received a mandate from above
And fled at his command.

On opposite panel:

Pauline, your rest is now secure:
A loving Saviour called thee hence,
Knowing thy gentleness could ill endure
The world's unbelieving malevolence.

JOSEPH BONAPARTE IN AMERICA

Joseph Bonaparte, recorded as the father of Pauline Josephann Holton, was the eldest brother of Napoleon Bonaparte, and during the First Empire, King of Naples, and afterwards of Spain. After Waterloo he came to this Country as a self-imposed exile, in 1816, and remained here sixteen years. He first settled in Philadelphia. Subsequently he came to Bordentown, and in 1818 purchased a considerable tract of land, afterwards known as "Bonaparte's Park," and built a spacious country home on the bluffs, overlooking the Delaware River, called "Pointe Breese." The first mansion was burned down in 1820, and another was erected, besides extensive outbuildings. Joseph's wife, Marie Julie Claré, did not join him in America, but his two daughters visited him here. For his eldest daughter, Princess Zenaide, Char-

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lotte Julie, married to her cousin Charles Lucien, Prince de Canino, and Musignano, Joseph built the "Lake House" on his estate. Joseph Bonaparte returned to France in 1832, and five years afterwards made a visit to America, remaining for nearly two years. He died in Florence, Italy, June 28, 1844, aged seventy-eight.

The mother of Pauline Josephann, named in the records as "Mrs. Holton," is identified as one Annette Savage.

ANNETTE SAVAGE AND "BOW HILL"

Bow Hill, or "Beau Hill," as the local wits of a century ago called the house, was the property of Barnt De Klyn, who, so the story goes, leased it for a season to his friend, Joseph Bonaparte as a sequestered retreat for his protégé, the beautiful Annette Savage. Here on the outskirts of South Trenton, at the head of a long lane surrounded by beautiful shade trees, stood and still stands today the old red brick mansion to which over a century ago the former King of Spain brought the lovely Quakeress. The highly decorous society of Philadelphia had previously declined to "know" the fair Annette, when she lived there, and her friend and protector, Comte de Survilliers, as he called himself, sought for her what he hoped would prove a more favorable social atmosphere in the little provincial town on the banks of the Delaware. But if such was his expectation it was soon made evident that the local dispensers of social favors were no more inclined to take a complacent attitude towards Bonaparte's *friend* than were the moral arbiters of the more sophisticated Quaker Capital. Little is known of her life here, but it must have been a lonely one. In the early Eighteen twenties "Bow Hill" was vacated, and its occupant departed for the wilds of Jefferson County, New York, where Bonaparte laid out a town which he called Diana, and built a villa to which he gave the title "White House." Here Annette Savage presided as mistress until the Revolution of 1830 called Bonaparte back to France. Subsequently she was married to Joseph de la Foille, a young Frenchman then living in Diana. In addition to the child, Pauline Josephann, whose grave is in St. Michael's churchyard, there appears to have been a younger daughter, Charlotte, who grew to womanhood and died in Richfield Springs in the last quarter of the nineteenth century.

"Pine Grove," a house which stood on the bluff overlooking the Delaware River, now a part of Riverview Cemetery, was also occupied by Annette Savage for a period.

"Bow Hill" is now, and has been for many years, in possession of members of the Lalor family, descendants of Barnt de Klyn, though none of that name is living in Trenton today. Miss Caroline Laylor, who died about eighteen years ago, was the last of the family to occupy the mansion. The house since her death has remained closed, with a caretaker in charge of the property.

(See *History of South Jersey*, p. 120, "Bonaparte's Park and the Murats".) Mills, *Historic Houses of New Jersey*, "Bow Hill."

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THE MURATS

An entry in the Parish Register under date August 18, 1831, records the marriage of Prince Lucien Murat and Caroline Georgiana Frazier.

Napoleon François Lucien Charles Murat, was the second son of Joachim Murat, who married Caroline Bonaparte, Napoleon Bonaparte's sister. On the establishment of the Empire Joachim Murat was made Prince and a Marshall of France, and placed by Napoleon on the throne of the two Sicilies. Subsequent to the Battle of Waterloo he returned to Italy, was captured, and executed in 1815. His son, the subject of this sketch, came to America in 1822, and settled on a farm near Columbus, New Jersey. Soon afterwards he bought a farm of about one hundred acres near Bordentown. He made his home in Bordentown, close to the "Park," and while living there he met and married Miss Caroline Georgiana Frazier, the ceremony being privately performed August 18, 1831, during the rectorship of the Rev. Frederick Beasley.

Miss Frazier was a daughter of Major Frazier, of the English Army, during the Revolutionary War. The Fraziers made their home first in South Carolina, and subsequently in Philadelphia. The match with Prince Murat was not approved by either family, but the couple took matters into their own hands and had their way. The Prince was extravagant in his habits, and soon went through with the property he possessed, and contracted debts he was unable to pay. His wife was driven to the expedient of opening a boarding and day school for girls at their home Linden Hall in Bordentown. Murat made several trips to Europe, accompanied at least in one instance, by his wife. In 1848, Murat returned to France to remain there permanently. The Prince was elected to the Constituent and Legislative Assemblies, and in December of that year, when his first cousin, Louis Napoleon, was elected President of France, Murat found himself in favor and was appointed to several high positions, until the Franco-Prussian War of 1870 put an end to the Second Empire. The Prince died in 1878, and his wife soon afterwards.

(See E. M. Woodward, *Bonaparte's Park and the Murats*, 1879; Mills, *Historic Houses of New Jersey*, "Linden Hall," J. B. Lippincott Company, 1902; Article "Murat," *Ency. Brit.*, Eleventh Ed., Vol. XIX, p. 30.) The latter authority erroneously states that the marriage took place in Baltimore.

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NO. 1. MEN OF ST. MICHAEL'S CHURCH PROMINENT IN PUBLIC LIFE

Among its vestrymen and parishioners, St. Michael's Church has numbered in its long history, many men distinguished by their services to the state. Among these there have been two governors; Richard Howell, 1792-1801, and Garret D. Wall, who was elected 1829, but declined, and subsequently served for six years, 1835-1841, in the United States Senate. Another United States senator was a warden, John Rutherford, serving 1791-1798. In the judiciary there have been two chancellors, Richard Howell, who held the office in conjunction with his governorship, and the present chancellor Edwin Robert Walker, first appointed in 1912. Of chief justices there have been four, if William Trent, 1723, and Robert Lettis Hooper, 1724, who were both churchmen, living in Trenton, and probably members of the Hopewell Church, may be counted. The son of the former, Major William Trent, was a vestryman, as were also both the son and grandson of the latter. David Brearley, a warden, was also chief justice from 1779, and Mercer Beasley in 1864. Of associate justices of the Supreme Court, there were Daniel Coxe, 1734, and John Allen, 1739, and Richard Saltar in 1754. Judges of the Court of Errors and Appeals were Garret D. Wall, 1849-1850, and Garret D. W. Vroom, 1902-1913. Joseph Warrell, who was attorney-general in 1733, was also a Trenton Churchman. David Brearley was one of the framers of the Constitution of the United States. Samuel Meredith was the first treasurer of the United States. There were five clerks of the supreme court, viz.: Richard Howell, 1788; Jonathan Rhea, a warden, 1793; Garret D. Wall, 1812; Zachariah Rossell, 1817, and Charles Perrin Smith, 1857. James D. Westcott was Secretary of State 1840-1850.

There were three state treasurers, Stacy A. Paxson, 1845, Samuel S. Stryker, 1847, and Jonathan H. Blackwell, 1885. Robert F. Stockton was state comptroller in 1877, and Newton A. K. Bugbee, who now holds that office, is the present senior warden of St. Michael's Church. Zachariah Rossell, 1816, Thomas Cadwalader, 1842, Robert F. Stockton, 1858, and Wilbur F. Sadler, 1909, held the office of adjutant-general. Jonathan Rhea was quarter-master general 1807-1814, and Garret D. Wall, 1824-1837. Robert Lettis Hooper, 1785-1788, was vice-president of the Council. Daniel Coxe, III, was a member of the Provincial Council 1771, and John Dagworthy in 1732. United States district attorneys were Garret D. Wall, 1828, and William Halsted, 1849. E. Mercer Shreve was clerk of the United States district court, 1868. State senators were Charles Hewitt, 1872-1874, and Jonathan H. Blackwell, 1875-1877. Charles Axford was a member of assembly in 1789, Garret D. Wall, 1822, John R. Dill in 1849, Jonathan S. Fish in 1858, Edwin H. Ginnelley in 1908. William Rodman McIlvaine, a warden, was judge of the court of

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common pleas for fifteen years, and Joseph Wood was mayor of the city 1856-1859, and Garret D. W. Vroom 1881-1884.

(The foregoing records were taken from the *Legislative Manual* of the State of New Jersey, and other official sources.)

NO. 2. MEN OF ST. MICHAEL'S CHURCH PROMINENT IN THE MASONIC ORDER

It would appear from a volume entitled *Origin of Masonry in the State of New Jersey*, compiled in 1870, by Joseph H. Hough, Grand Secretary 1843-1890, that the Masonic Order on this continent had its organized beginnings in 1730 in New Jersey. A deputation by the Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of England was granted to Daniel Coxe, to be Provincial Grand Master of America. Coxe then or shortly afterwards was living in Trenton, where according to the records he made his home for several years previous to his death in 1739. Daniel Coxe is a name notable in the annals of St. Michael's Parish. He was a supporter of the Hopewell church, and the father of John Coxe who gave the deed for the property on which St. Michael's Church stands.

Thus it may be observed, that in the person of the First Provincial Grand Master, St. Michael's Church, Trenton, was so far associated with the origin of organized Free Masonry in America.

The text of the deputation granted to Daniel Coxe is found on pages vii and viii of the book above referred to. It is certified as a "True Copy" by William Gray Clark, Grand Secretary. Free Masons Hall, London, April 10, 1863.

The document proceeded from the Grand Lodge of England under the Grand Mastership of Thomas Howard, Duke of Norfolk, during the reign of George II, and states "that in 1730, he established a grand Lodge by deputation at New Jersey in America."

After reciting the numerous titles held by the Duke, the document records that he proceeded "to nominate, constitute and appoint our Right Worshipfull and well-beloved Brother the said Daniel Coxe Provincial Grand master of the said Provinces of New York, New Jersey and Pensilvania with full Power and Authority to nominate and appoint his Deputy Grand master and Grand Wardens for the space of two years from the feast of St. John the Baptist, now next ensuing. . . ."

The writer adds: "The only other mention of Bro Coxe to be found in the records of the Grand Lodge of England appears on the journal of the meeting of that Grand Lodge, January 29, 1731, upon which occasion the record states that 'Bro Daniel Coxe, Provincial Grand Master of North America was present and his health was drank'."

Concerning this document the writer of the book makes the following comment:

By the foregoing deputation the fact is established that Daniel Coxe was the first appointed Provincial Grand Master of masons in the New World. His authority antedates that of Henry Price, Provincial Grand Master of

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Massachusetts, by nearly three years, the deputation of the latter having been dated April 30th, A.D. 1733.

He sums up his historical investigations in the following conclusion:

From the fact that Bro. Coxe was referred to at the meeting of the Grand Lodge of England in 1731 as "Provincial Grand Master of North America" we think it may reasonably be inferred that there was at that time no other Provincial Grand Master in any portion of North America.

The masonic association with St. Michael's Church thus begun in 1730, has extended through the succeeding years, and is still vital today.

Many men who have successively served on the vestry of St. Michael's Church have also been prominent in the masonic Order. The names of a few such may be mentioned: David Brearley (Warden 1785-1790), over whose grave in the churchyard the Grand Lodge of New Jersey has caused to be erected a fine granite memorial slab, was the first grand master in New Jersey 1786-1789. Jonathan Rhea (warden 1796-1814) was one of the charter members and a grand treasurer. Richard Howell (vestry 1790-1793), governor of New Jersey, was a senior warden of Trenton Lodge.

Isaac de Cou (warden 1783-1794) was a master of Trenton Lodge as was also John Douglass (vestry 1785-1786). The latter was also a senior deacon of the Grand Lodge. Robert Lettis Hooper (warden 1774) was a deputy grand master, and Pontius D. Stelle (vestry 1794-1799) was a grand treasurer.

Thomas Gordon (warden 1822-1825) was past master of Hiram Lodge No. 25 of Flemington. William Kerwood (warden 1819-1826) was a senior grand warden. Philemon Dickinson (vestryman 1830-1845) was a master of Trenton Lodge, of the Royal Chapter 3 times 3, and a deputy secretary of the Grand Lodge, State of New Jersey. Zachariah Rossell (vestry 1817-1826) was a grand secretary. G. P. Glentworth, son of P. Fleeson Glentworth (warden 1820-1828), was a deputy grand secretary. John Mershon (warden 1837-1842) was a grand secretary. Jonathan S. Fish (vestry 1850-1867) was a grand treasurer.

Coming down to the present day Newton A. K. Bugbee (warden 1918-) is a 33d degree mason, a former Potentate of Crescent Temple, and senior secretary of Crescent Lodge. Among those who have been prominent in the masonic order none, perhaps, has a record of greater activity and influence than Dr. Edwin H. Ginnelley (vestry 1920-). He is a past master of Loyal Lodge, and of the Palestine Commandery, Knight Templars. He is also a past officer of all four bodies of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite of the Valley of Trenton. In September 1916, he was crowned Sovereign Grand Inspector General 33d degree by the Supreme Council of the northern masonic jurisdiction. He was named First Potentate of Crescent Temple when it was instituted in 1904, and was reelected as potentate for seven years. In 1925 he served the last of his three years term as Commander-in-Chief of Trenton Consistory. Through his efforts in behalf of the Scottish Rite 1001 candidates received in May 1925 the higher degrees, and Dr. Ginnelley conferred the 32nd degree, Sublime Prince of the Royal Secret, on 856 of the most notable masons in New Jersey. Today the Temple has a membership of over 1000

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and is probably the most powerful institution of a fraternal order in New Jersey.

Other members of the present vestry who are masons are William H. Atkinson, a past master of Mercer Lodge; Walter P. Wilson; James H. Galt, Charles H. Baker, Alfred C. Funk, Dr. James R. Cooper, Dr. David E. Stretch (deceased 1926), and William O. Warren. All of these are 32nd degree masons of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite.

Among the rectors certainly known to be masons, the Rev. William Frazer (1788-1795) the Rev. W. L. Johnson (1822-1830), the Rev. Samuel Clements (1855-1858), the Rev. W. Strother Jones (1896-1908) and the Rev. Samuel Steinmetz (1920) are so to be reckoned and possibly others concerning whom no information is available.

In connection with the Rev. William Frazer, the records of the Grand Lodge (p. 43) show that he received the thanks of that body at a meeting held in Trenton December 27, 1791.

Ordered that the thanks of the Grand Lodge be given to the Rev. Brother Frazier for his attention in preparing and preaching a sermon well adapted to the occasion before the Grand Lodge this day in his Church and that he be requested to deliver to the Grand Secretary to be deposited among the archives of the Lodge a fair copy of the same, and that the Treasurer be directed to pay unto Brother Frazier for so doing, the sum of four pounds and ten shillings.

ORGANIZATION OF THE FIRST LODGE IN TRENTON

The first Master Mason Lodge in Trenton was constituted by warrant dated December 20, 1787. This is Trenton Lodge No. 5. The first entry in a book of minutes has this record:

The following master masons assembled this third day of August 1787: The Hon. David Brearly *G.M.*; William Leaddell Esq., *S.G.W.*; Aaron Dickenson Woodruff Esq.; Anthony Reckless Esq.; whereupon a Master mason Lodge was opened in due form.

THE FIRST BUILDING

In regard to the first building exclusively devoted to masonic purposes in Trenton, there is the following record:

On August 19th it was reported that the work had so far progressed that the ceremony of laying the foundation stone was set for high twelve on Monday the 26th. The Right worshipful Grand Master presiding, it was according so done and the foundation stone was duly laid in ample form, according to the Solemn rites of the Order.

This was August 26th, 1793.

This masonic building, said to be the oldest in New Jersey, and one of the oldest in the United States, stood on a plot of ground on Barrack Street (now

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Willow Street). It was used by the masons until 1867 when it was abandoned and was subsequently used for a school and later on for the shop of an upholsterer and a painter.

In 1915, a group of masons in Trenton headed by the late General Wilbur F. Sadler, Jr., bought the old building, and presented it to the Grand Lodge. It was then removed to its present site on South Willow Street facing the Delaware River.

The corner stone was again laid April 20, 1915. The building has been completely restored and fitted up as a house of relics. A caretaker is in charge and the house is now a mecca for visitors, particularly those associated with the Ancient and Honorable Craft.

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NAMES AND INSCRIPTIONS ON TOMBSTONES AND TABLETS IN ST. MICHAEL'S CHURCHYARD

IN recutting the inscriptions on the tombstones in 1924 errors in some instances have occurred owing doubtless to the difficulty at that time of deciphering the lettering. The list here published was copied from a manuscript made many years ago and deposited in the archives of the New Jersey Historical Society at Newark. Probably its superior accuracy may be depended upon in any instance where its readings differ from the inscriptions as they appear today. Moreover the list preserves many data which were not recut or which the ravages of time have wholly obliterated from the stones. The earliest tombstone in the graveyard of which the record remains bears the date 1763 and the latest 1893.

The arrangement of the names is in alphabetical order since this method was followed in the manuscript and it seemed best to adhere to it in the printed list which follows. To rewrite the list and attempt to indicate the locality of every grave would be confusing to seekers for data and consume too much space.

The names and inscriptions as given in the manuscript have been compared with those on the gravestones so far as the same could be deciphered. As the names follow in alphabetical order, they are not included in the General Index.

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*An * before a name indicates biographical sketch*

A

Thomas / son of John and Hariet Anderson / Born / October 12, A.D. 1821
/ died August 29th, 1832 / aged 7 years 10 months / and 11 days.

In / memory of / Isabella Armstrong / widow of / Michael Armstrong /
who departed this life / December 24th A.D. 1831 / aged 80 years.
Footstone J.A.

In / memory / of / Michael Armstrong / who departed / this life, the 16th
of / December 1806 / aged 46 years.

Being a good Christian
and charitable man,
Leaving a sorrowful
Wife, to deplore his loss.

Footstone M.A.

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B

In / memory of / Mr. William Bard / who departed this life / on the 30th of July, 1796 / aged 75 years. /

In memory of / Hannah Barnes / Daughter of Isaac & / Mary Barnes / who departed this life / the 4th day of April / 1807 / aged 7 years. 1 month / and 24 days. /

In memory of / Mary, the wife of / Isaac Barnes, Sen. / who departed this life / the 18th day of July / in the year of our Lord. 1801 / aged 21 years / 3 months, and 1 day.

In / memory of / George H. Benjamin / who died / February 18th, 1819 / in the 18th year / of his age. /

Sacred / to the memory of / Jacob Benjamin / who departed this / life September 4. / A.D. 1806 / Born October 29th, 1762 / aged 37 years. 10 mo. / & 25 days.

In / memory of / Mary / widow of / Jacob Benjamin / and daughter of / Charles Axford / who died October 15th, 1847. In the 78th year of / her age. /

Margaretta E. / widow of / William A. Benjamin / died Nov. 19th, 1885 / in the 77th year of her age. /

William A. Benjamin / died / May 15th, 1875 / in the 71st year of / his age. Sacred / to the memory of / the Honorable / *David Brearley / who died Aug. 16th, 1790 / in the 45th year of his age.

David Brearley / son of David & / Elizabeth Brearley / died at Blakely, Alabama / Nov. 8th, 1820 / aged 34 years.

Sacred / to the memory of / the Hon. David Brearley, / Lieutenant Colonel / in the / Army of the United States / a member of the state and federal conventions / nine years Chief-Justice of New Jersey. / As a soldier, he was cool, determined and brave; / as a judge, intelligent and upright; / as a citizen, an early, decided, and faithful patriot; / in private and social life, irreproachable. / He died, much regretted, / 16th of August, 1790, in the / 45th year of his age.

(Copied from Hist. Coll. of N.J.)

For present inscription on Masonic Slab see Chapter XXXVIII

Elizabeth Brearley / relict of / the Honorable David Brearley / and daughter of / Joseph and Rachel Higbee / died Aug. 20th, 1832 / aged 81 years. / In / memory / of / Hetty Brearley / daughter of the late / Honorable / David Brearley. / She departed life, / February 1819 / aged 44 years.

Sacred / to the memory of / Joseph Higbee Brearley / son of David and / Elizabeth Brearley / who departed this life / the 2d of April, A.D., 1803 / Aged 20 years. / He died hoping in a joyful resurrection, through the /

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merits of his Saviour. / Ah, only showed to shock our fond pursuits, / And
/ teach our humbled hopes that life is vain.

In / memory of / Mary Brown / widow of Peter Brown / who departed this
life / February 15th, A.D., 1824 / aged 33 years.

Happy soul, thy days are ended—
All thy mourning days below—
Go, by angel guards attended,
To the side of Jesus go.

JANE / wife of Jonathan Bryant / departed this life / Nov. 7th A.D. 1828 /
in the 73rd year / of her age./

*Jonathan Bryant / departed this life / Sep. 20th. 1831 / in the 75th year /
of his age./

C

Larry Coleman

Sacred / to the memory of / Thomas Cain / who departed this life / March
18th A.D. 1843 / aged 67 years & 9 months.

Sacred / to the memory of / Charles Cain / who departed this life / Mar.
1842 / in the 63rd year / of his age./

To the memory of / Elizabeth / wife of A. G. Claypoole. / D. March 27,
1794 / Ae 28 / Also / Sarah, their Daughter / D. August 13, 1793 / Ae. 18
months.

To the / memory of / Elizabeth Clunn. / who / departed this life / Decem-
ber 5th A.D. 1823 / aged 84 years./

To the memory of / *JOHN CLUNN, Sen^r. / who departed this life / November
21st, 1798. / Aged fifty . . . /

Sacred / to / the memory of / Margaret / daughter of / John & Elizabeth
Clunn / who departed this life / May 12, 1813. /

Sacred to the / memory of / Mary Cornell / widow of the late / John L.
Cornell / Born Jan. 22, 1824. / Died April 1, 1887. / In the 63rd year of her /
age. /

There is Rest in Heaven

D

In memory of / John Dougherty / who departed this life / December 12th,
1795, / aged 31 years / 11 months & 28 days.

Ann Douglass / died Dec. 17th. 1893 / aged 89 years.

In / memory of / James Duglass / who departed this life / March 30th,
A.D. 1832 / aged 80 years / also—

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Mary Duglass / wife of Jas. Duglass / who departed this life / December 31st, A.D. 1835 / aged 66 years. /

Sarah perhaps "Pigeon" (*much effaced*) / Born October the 29th / 1740 / Died June the 14th / 1763. /

E

To the memory of / Mr. Paul Establier / who departed this life / the 11th day of Feb'y. / A.D. 1785 / aged 30 years. /

F

In memory of / Margaret Fister / who departed this life / March 25th, 1794 / aged 21 years / 11 months. 14 days.

Here Lieth / the Body of Mary / wife of / Philip Fister / who departed this / Life. March 11th 1794 / aged 46 years / and 3 months. /

In / memory of / Philip Fister / who departed this Life / October 1st. 1812 / in the 71st year of his / age. /

In / memory of the / Rev. *William Frazer / of St. Michael's Church, Trenton. / and St. Andrews'-Amwell / who departed this Life / the 6th day of July, 1795 / aged 52 years. / If gentle and inoffensive manners, / benevolence and meekness, can secure / the goodwill of man, as certainly as / sincere piety will recommend to the fa / vor of God, then has Frazer, joined the / inhabitants of heaven, and not left an / enemy on earth. /

Copied from N.J. Hist. Coll.

(The Chancel was extended in 1871 covering the Frazer family graves. A stone inset in the exterior wall bears the following names: "In Memory of William Geary, M.D.; Mrs. Jane Geary; Rev. William Frazer; Mrs. Rebecca Frazer, Rebecca Bard Frazer, Mary Martha Frazer, Robert William Hay, Colin Frazer, Charles Campbell Frazer, Mary Jean Neal.")

Mary Furman / widow of / William Furman / Died Feb. 6th, 1877 / aged 75 years. /

G

Our Sister / Wilhelmina F. Geary / who died suddenly / Oct. 26th, 1871 / and Jane E. Geary / after a painful illness / July 23rd, 1872 / "We shall all meet again."

To / the memory of / Mrs. Martha A. Gillespy / Born at Hardingstone, North / amptonshire, England / Feb. 13, 1791. / "Blessed are the pure in heart, for / they shall see God." Died at Trenton / April 19, 1867 /

Sacred / to the memory of / *Thomas Gordon / Born. Sept. 23rd, A.D., 1778 / Died Sept. 25th, 1848. (In 1924 miscut in error "1818")

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Descended from the Gordon family in P'd / locha, in Scotland, a Jerseyman
by birth, / he filled the office of a Judge, of the Com / mon Pleas, for some
years. was distinguis / hed as a Conveyancer, and the author / of the *map*
of New Jersey; an accomp/lished gentleman, a faithful friend, a / useful
citizen: those who knew him / best, most deeply mourn his loss. / His
afflicted widow, rears this monument, to perpetuate his honored name /
Green be the turf above thee, / Friend of my better days. /

(Monument West side)

In / memory of / Mrs. Rebekah Gordon / widow of / Thomas Gordon, Esq.
/ who departed this life / on 7th September. 1864 / in the 88th year of / her
age. /

A *sincere* friend, a devoted wife, a fai/thful member of the Church, she was
loved / in life, and mourned in death, by all who knew her. (*East side*).

H

In / memory of / Sarah Hall / who died / February 9th, 1821 / aged 81
years. /

Cornelia Halsey / Died May 20th, 1808. (*On tablet with inscription to Hannah
Muirbeid*)

In memory of / Cornelia Lawrence / Relict of J. Lamar Hay / and daughter
of / Dr. William Geary / Born July 11th, 1817 / Died July 4, 1882. / "When
the wicked cease from troubling, and the weary are at rest." /

Cornelia Halsey / Died 1808. / (on tablet on side of Church.)

In / memory of / Mary Hankinson / who departed this life / April 1st, 1811
(or 1844) / aged 51 (or 31) years. (Much effaced).

In / memory of / George Henry / who departed this life / Oct. 23rd. A.D.,
1846 / in the 76th year of / his age. / "Blessed are the dead who / die in the
Lord."

Sacred / to the memory of / Mrs. Mary Henry / who departed this life / the
25th January. 1804 / aged 29 years. /

O may I shine before thy throne,
In all thy beauty Lord,
And the poor service I have done,
Meet a divine reward. /

In / memory of / M. *Samuel Henry / who departed this life May / the
10th, 1784, aged 67 / years.

To the memory of / Samuel Henry / who departed this life / 9th of January,
1795 / aged 24 years, six months.

In memory of / Jacob J. / son of Jacob A. & / Hannah Hester / who de-
parted this life / April 9th, 1836 / aged 6 months / & 9 days. /

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In / memory of / Ann Higbee / who died / November 12th, A.D., 1834 /
aged 65 years. / Also /

Catharine Higbee / who died / June 17th, A.D., 1827 / aged 70 years. /
(*Altar tomb*).

Sacred / to the memory of / Caroline Higbee / who died July 28th, 1803 /
Also of / Louisa Higbee / who died July 1st, 1808. / Daughters of / Joseph
& Elizabeth Higbee. (*Slab*)

Sacred / to the memory of / *Joseph Higbee / who departed this life / June
10th, A.D., 1796 / in the 76th year of his age. (*Slab*)

And of / Rachel, his wife / who departed this life / Feb'y 20th, A.D. 1777 /
in the 50th year of her age.

And of / Samuel the first. Samuel the second / George and John / their
sons / who died, each under the age of two years.

Sacred / to the / memory of / Joseph Milnor / eldest son of Charles & /
Charlotte Higbee / who was born / May 20th, A.D., 1807 / and died / April
16th, 1842. /

Sacred / to the memory of / Sarah M. Higbee / Daughter of / Joseph &
Elizabeth L. Higbee / Born July 12th, 1801 / Died October 1857. /

This monument / is erected in memory of / Virginia Higbee / Born March
17th, 1791 / Died March 31st, 1834. (Epitaph illegible) (*Monument west
side*)

Virginia / eldest daughter of / Joseph & / Elizabeth L. Higbee. (*East side*)
Lucy Ann / second daughter of / Joseph & Elizabeth Higbee / Born April
30th, 1798 / Died April 29th, 1853. (*South side*)

In / memory of / Lucy Ann Higbee / A disciple of our Lord Jesus Christ /
who in her life lived his example / and put her trust in / his mercy. / She
died in faith / Blessed are the dead, who die / in the Lord / Even so, saith
the Saviour / For they rest from their labours. / Rev. 14. 13.

Beneath this Tablet / repose the Remains of / *Joseph Higbee / Son of /
Joseph and Rachel Higbee / born December 20th, 1761, / died December
12th, 1829. /

Few are the days, and full of woe,
O man, of woman born.
Thy doom is written. Dust thou art,
To dust thou shalt return.

Also of / Elizabeth Lawrence / his wife / daughter of Nathaniel and / Lucy
Lewis / who departed this life / November 1st, A.D. 1838 / aged 65 years.
Blessed are the dead which die in the / Lord, from henceforth, yea saith the /
Spirit, that they may rest from their / labours, and their works do follow
them. / Rev. XIV. verse XIII.

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In / memory of / Rebecca Browning / daughter of Joshua and / Abigail Hollingshead / who died / June 29th, A.D., 1841 / aged 3 years. 10 months / and 6 days. /

In / memory of / Sarah Browning / daughter of Joshua and / Abigail Hollingshead / who died / August 7th, A.D., 1836 / aged 1 year 8 months / and 21 days. /

Erected / By a Bereft Mother / to the memory / of a beloved Child / Pauline Joseph Ann Holton / who departed this life / Dec. 6. 1823 / aged 4 years. / (See for verses and remarks Appendix M.) (*Monument to a child of Joseph Bonaparte.*)

In / memory of / Eve Howell / wife of / William C. Howell / who departed this life / December 10th, A.D., 1838. / aged 31 years. 1 month / and 24 days. / "Blessed are the dead / which die in the Lord." /

Edward / son of / William C. and E. Howell / who died August 13th, 1839 / aged 8 months, and 21 days. /

Sacred / to the memory of / Mary / wife of / Jacob C. Howell, / who departed this life / December 1st, A.D., 1836 / in the 27th year / of her age.

Blest, and mourned, admired and loved through life.
Thou blest of women, and thou faithful wife,
Farewell! 'tis mine thy virtues to deplore,
To linger here, and feel thy aid no more.
Tis mine to wait, till my remains are laid
In this blest shade, where rests thy languid head.
Then shall thy husband, from this anguish free
Thy death hath left him rest, in peace with thee.

In / memory of / William Lawrence / Son of Wm. C. & E. Howell / who died / November 30th, A.D., 1835, aged 13 days. /

Farewell, my earthly parents dear.
On earth I suffered pain severe.
But now I'm with the Saviour blest.
And in his heavenly bosom rest.

In / memory of / Samuel Lawrence / son of Wm. C. & E. Howell / who died / February 26th A.D., 1834 / aged 6 weeks / and 4 days. /

How soon the opening bud,
Is culled and gathered home,
Where it shall bloom in richer soil,
And sorrows never come. /

In / memory of / William Humphreys / who departed this life / November 28th, A.D., 1825 / aged 45 years. /

Sacred / to the memory of / *Pearson Hunt, Esq. / who departed this life / November 4th, A.D., 1828 / in the 63rd year / of his age. / To the most

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affectionate of Husbands / the kindest Father / the best of Friends / this stone is erected by his sorrowing family.

Also / Rachel Hunt / was born / May 26th, A.D., 1765 / and died April 7th, A.D., 1831./

Sacred / to the memory of / Sally Milnor Hunt / daughter of / Pearson & Rachel Hunt / who departed this life / Sept. 15th, A.D., 1818 / in the 17th year of her age.

Sacred / to / the memory of / Theodosia Hunt / who was born / March 25, A.D., 1800 / and died / January 12th, A.D., 1844.

In memory of / Mary / wife of / Isaac Barnes Hunt / who departed this life / the 18th day of July / in the year of our Lord 1801 / aged 21 years, 3 months / and four days./

In / memory of / Wilson Hunt / son of W. P. & Elizabeth Hunt / who died / January 2nd, 1856 / in the 31st year of his age. / "We shall go to him / he shall not return to us."

Sacred / to the memory of / Thomas Craskell Husband / of Jamaica / who departed this life / the 22nd day of August 1837 / aged 50 years. 4 months / and 20 days. / "As in Adam, all die, so in Christ shall / all be made alive."

I

In / memory of / Thomas Ingleton / who departed this life / January 25th, 1817 / in the 56th year / of his age.

J

In / memory / of / Lucy / Relict / of / the / Right / Rev. / Abraham Jarvis / of Connecticut / who gently breathed out her soul / and passed from this life to a better. / May 5th, 1829. / in the 80th year of her age.

What though affliction here would heave a sigh.
That one so loved, and so revered should die.
Calm Resignation, clasps a Saviour's Cross
And mourns, but does not murmur at the loss.
"Twas there her meek and lowly soul was taught
To seek the heavenly crown his blood had bought
Twas there in mercy beamed the welcome ray
Which cheered with hope the aged pilgrim's way
This mouldering dust shall here repose in peace
Till that great day, when time itself shall cease.
Her spirit is with God, and this her plea,
My Saviour lived! my Saviour died for me.

Her children / consecrate this memoriam / as a tribute of their duty / and affection.

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In memory of / George Johnson / who died / April 15th 1800. / aged 53 years. /

In / memory of / an infant daughter / of John and / Elizabeth Johnson / Citizens of Philadelphia / who died October 4th / 1814. /

Catherine Johnston / Died / February 7, 1894.

Eliza Johnston / Died / May 9, 1885.

Jane M. Johnston / Died / March 20, 1890.

Mary Johnston / Died / March 28, 1860. / Hannah H. Johnston / Died / March 10, 1881.

Sacred / to the / memory of / James Johnston / who departed this life / September 21st, A.D., 1834 / aged 61 years 8 months. / and 27 days. / Also— Sarah / widow of / James Johnston / Died / March 10th, 1875 / In her 90th year. /

K

Margaret / infant daughter / of / Henry John & / Isabella Kemble / Born 20th March / 1853 / Died / 18th August / 1853.

William Kerwood / Died / January 22nd, 1867 / Aged 88 years / Erected by Trenton Lodge No. 5 / of which he was for 56 years / an honored member.

L

Sacred / to the memory of / Caroline Law / who died / Dec. 27th. 1871. /
“The Just shall live by faith.”

In / memory of / Samuel Lawrence, / son of Samuel and Catharine Lawrence / who departed this life / January 13th, A.D., 1839 / aged 24 years.

Why mourn, the throbbing heart's at rest.
How still it lies within the breast.
Why mourn, since death presents us peace
And in thy grave our sorrows cease.

In memory of / JACOB . . . / who departed this life / September the 20th, 1771.

In memory of / Jacob L. . . . who / died July 27th, 1764 / aged 3 years & 11 months.

In / memory of / Samuel . . . who / died 10 j / aged 9 years & —months. /

M

In / memory of / Mary / Daughter of David and / Sarah Maggoun / who departed this life / September 4th A.D., 1819. /

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In / memory of / Sarah Maggoun / widow of the late / David Maggoun / of the City of Philadelphia / who departed this life / on the 13th of September / in the year of our Lord. 1816. / aged 60 years. /

Sacred / to the memory of / John March / who was born / on the Island of Jamaica / May 19th, 1774. (*Altar Tomb*).

where as a lawyer, he was distinguished by a / long and laborious devotion to his professional / duties; as a Gentleman by the uniform courtesy / of his manners; and as a Friend by the sincere / kind and generous sympathy of his heart. / He died in the City of Trenton / whither he had retired from / the labours of public life / May 5th, 1837. / Patient: cheerful: victorious; / through the faith of the / Lord Jesus Christ. /

This tablet is erected as an humble / tribute of that regard / by his affectionate son / Thomas Edward March. /

In / memory of / Sarah / widow of *Joseph McCally* / formerly of this City / who departed this life / May 10th, A.D. 1831 / in the 81st year / of her age./

In / memory of / James Mennis / who was born / May 8th. A.D., 1824 / and died / February 29th, A.D., 1836 / aged 11 years. 9 months / and 21 days. /

F. M. M'D.

I.H.S.

In memory of / Henry McNally / born in Templemoyle / County Derry, Ireland / who departed this life / December 23rd, 1804 / in the 21st year of his age. / This memorial was erected by / Thomas, his brother. / "May he rest in peace, Amen."

Sacred / to the memory of / Mary Moon / widow of / Joseph Moon. /who departed this life / September 3rd. A.D., 1855 / in the 64th year of her age. / In her tongue was the law of kindness, / "She looked well to the ways of her household / and ate not the bread of idleness," / "Let her own works praise her at the gates."

Sacred / to the memory of / Martin Moon / who departed this Life / December 8th, A.D., 1856 / in the 28th year of his age. /

There is a safe and downy bed,
A . . . for erring mortals spread.
Where they may rest the aching head.
And find repose in heaven./

Sacred / to the memory of / William Moon / who departed this life / April 17th, A.D., 1855 / in the 29th year of his / age. / There is an hour of peaceful rest / To mourning sinners given / A . . . breast / 'Tis found . . . in heaven.—

In memory of / Mary, Daughter of / Job & Deborah Moore / who departed this life / April 19th A.D., 1798 / aged 3 years.

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Deborah Moore / wife of / John Moore / died Oct. 12, 1829 / in the 80th year / of her age. /

In memoriam / Ann Murphy / Died / Sept. 21st, 1875 / aged 78.

In / memory of / Margaret / Daughter of / James and / Ann Murphy / who departed this life / July 14th, A.D., 1837 / aged 20 years.

John R. D. / son of / James and Emily Murphy / Aged 8 months.

In memory of / Hannah Muirhead / died March 7th, 1850. (*On outer wall of church.*)

In / memory of / Hester Inglehart / wife of / William Musgrove / who departed this life / Feb. 20th, A.D., 1837 / aged 68 years. /

O

Also / Mary / wife of / Thomas Oliver / Born, 1796 / Died 1856 / in the 67th year of her age.

In / memory of / Catharine / wife of / Henry O'Hara / who departed this life / Jan. 26th, 1860 / in the 82nd year of her age.

My flesh shall slumber in the ground.
Till the last . . . /
Then burst the chains with sweet surprise
And in my Saviour's image rise.

In / memory of Charles O'Hara / who departed this life / Aug. 16. 1849 / aged 27 years./

Death suddenly called him . . .

In / memory of Henry O'Hara / who departed this life / July 27th, 1856 / aged 92 years.

Sleep father dear, and take your rest.
God called you home, he thought it best.
T'was hard indeed to part with thee,
But Christ's strong arm supported me.

In / memory of / Simeon Henry / son of / Michael and / Susanah O'Hara / who died / July 12, 1838 / aged 7 years / and 9 days. /

P

In / memory of / James Pettit / who died / Dec. 18th, 1869 / aged 44 years.

Farewell, dear wife, and mother dear,
Dry up your tears of grief.
Though we may meet no more on earth.
We will meet in Heaven above.

In / memory of / Mary / wife of / James Pettit / who departed this life / May 4th, A.D., 1843 / in the 33rd year of / her age. / Also John William / son of / J. . . . Pettit / died June 16th, 1842 / aged 4 mo's.

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Sacred / to the memory of / Mary Phillips / wife of / Aaron Phillips / who departed this life / March 4th, A.D., 1833 / in the 18th year of her / age. /

Sacred / to the memory of / Gen. Z. M. Pike / of the U.S. Army / who fell in the defence / of his country / on the 27th of April / A.D., 1813 / at York / Upper Canada. / This small tribute / of respect is erected / by his friend.
Z. R.

(General Zebulon M. Pike was the discoverer of Pike's Peak in 1806. His body does not lie in the graveyard. The tablet merely represents a tribute to his memory erected by his friend and associate, General Zachariah Rossell.)

R

Sacred / to / the memory of / Mrs. Fannie Reeder / who departed this life / July 27th, A.D., 1843 / aged 73 years.

Sacred / to the memory / of Anna / Daughter of / Robert and Maria Rhea / and relict of Benjamin Ledgard, Esq. / who died / March the 27th, 1817 / aged 63 years, 7 months / & 17 days.

"Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord."

Sacred / to the memory of / Gen. Jonathan Rhea / who died Feb. 3d. 1815 / aged 56 years. 10 mo. 22 days. /

Early distinguished as a firm defender of his country / in our former eventful contest with Great Britain / Gen. Rhea, at an early age embarked, in the military / service of the United States, and served with zeal and / fidelity, during the whole revolutionary war, as an / officer in the New Jersey line of the Continental Army. / At the return of peace, he practised many years at the bar of this state, where his integrity and sound / judgment were highly esteemed and respected. / To those who had the happiness of being connected / with him, by the tender ties of domestic life, he was endeared by a most exemplary performance / in the interesting scenes, portrayed in the charac/ter of father, husband, master, and friend. / We have hope to believe that, from the toil some vicissitudes of this life, he has winged his flight / to enjoy, in the mansions of eternal rest, the rewards / prepared for the righteous. (Copied from *Hist. Coll. of N.J.*)

He loved his friends with such a warmth of heart
So dear of interest, so devoid of art,
Such generous freedom, such unshaken zeal,
No words can speak it, but our tongues can tell.

In / memory of / Elizabeth Robinson / who died / November 9th, A.D., 1832 / in the 54th year / of her age. /

In / memory of William Robinson / who died / August 23rd, A.D., 1840 / in the 61st year / of his age. /

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Our Mother / Sarah Montgomery Rogers / who died / March 11th, 1858. /
In the 72d year of her age.

“For as in Adam all / die, even so in Christ / shall all
be made / alive.”

In memory / of / Samuel Rutherford, Esq. / Late a Captain in his /
Majesty's 15th Regmt. of Foot. / who departed this life / on the 20th Day
of October / 1767 / in the 50th year / of his age.

S

Sacred to the memory of / Mrs. Mary Sayre / Relict of the / Rev. John
Sayre / who / departed this life / 11th January, 1789 / in the 50th year of
her age. (*On outer wall of Church.*)

Sacred / to the / memory of / Eliza Ann / daughter of / Philip and Eliza-
beth / Slack / who departed this life / April 30th, A.D., 1827. / aged 17
years / 9 months / and 12 days.

Sacred / to the memory of / Richard R. Slack / son of Philip & / Elizabeth
Slack / who departed this life / December 30th, A.D., 1830 / at Pottsville /
Pennsylvania / aged 19 years & 5 months.

Here lies / the body of / Alfred, son of / James Alexander and / Maria
Stevens / who died / Oct. 25th, 1824 / aged 1 year. 5 mo. / & 4 days. /

Here lies / the bodies of / John and Amelia / children of James & Alexander
and / Maria Stevens / *John*: who was born / May 13th, 1819. died / July
8th, aged 1 month / and 26 days. /

Amelia, who was / born January 16th, 1822 / died August 3rd / aged 6
months & 19 days. /

Sacred / to the memory of / Caroline Mary / infant daughter of / Peter &
Sarah Stryker. /

Crooke Stevenson / Died August 17th, 1820. (*On tablet with inscription to
Hannab Muirbeid*)

T

In Hope of Joyful / 1786 / Resurrection. / In memory of Mary / daughter
of John F. and Elizabeth Throckmorton, who departed this life, the 2d
July / 1792. aged 6 weeks, / and one day.

V

Here / Intombed / lies the body of / Hon. (?) Moor / Son of / John and
Sarah / Vandergrift / departed this life / Oct. 25th, 1803 / aged 11 months. /
“Suffer little children / to come unto me.”

Here / Intombed / lies the body of / Sarah Ann, daughter of / John and
Sarah / Vandegrift / departed this life / Oct. 20th 1805 / aged 4 years / &
2 months. /

“Of such is the Kingdom / of Heaven.”

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W

Maria Adgate / Daughter of James and Ann H. Westcott / Born Nov. 1796
/ Died Jan. 1816.

*Renssalaer Williams, Esq. / Died Dec. 1st, 1796, aged 64 years / also /
Catharine Williams / his wife who died / Dec. 29th, 1792, aged 50 years.
(*On stone leaning against Church.*)

In memory of / *Henry Waddell, D.D. / Rector of St. Michael's Church /
Trenton / who departed this life, January 20th, 1811 / in the 66th year of
his age. / A faithful and affectionate Pastor. / A sincere and zealous Christian.
/ An amiable and honest Man. / His body is buried in peace, but his / Soul,
shall live forever. / Also / In memory of / Lucia Waddell / whose mortal
remains are deposited / beneath this stone, near those of their / late dear and
revered Father, by their / two sorrowing and mourning children. /

She lived in an habitual preparation / for death; faithfully discharging all
the relative duties of life, and gently fell / asleep in the Lord 11th day of /
April, A.D. 1821 / aged 76 years, and 8 months. / The prayer of her nearest
and dearest / connections, is, "May our . . . be like hers."

"Blessed are the dead, who die in the Lord."

Sacred / to the memory of / George Washington Waddell. / He died on the
19th day of / August, 1805 / in the 17th year of his age. / sincerely lamented
by all / who knew him.

He was a Student of Nassau Hall. / and lived beloved by, and
honored / with the peculiar esteem of the / Professors and Tutors
of that / Institution. (*Monument west side.*)

Stop Reader, and reflect a moment, / on the shortness, and uncer-
tainty of / your mortal existence. / "For what is your Life? It is
even / a vapour that appeareth for a little / time, and then
vanisheth away!" (*South side.*)

Sacred / to the memory of / Henry Lawrence Waddell / who depar/ ted this
life / on the 31st of March, 1833 / aged 51 years and 8 / months. /

"Into thy hands, I commend my spirit, thou hast /
redeemed me, O Lord God of truth." Psalms 34, v. 5. /

Also / to the memory of / Ann Waddell / his eldest daughter / who died on
the 16th day of January, 1830 / aged 15 years and 8 days. /

Reader, let this marble teach thee, that alike in age and / in youth,
death may overtake thee! / learn to be upon the watch!

In memory of / Lucia Sophia Waddell / who departed this life / October 1,
1811 / In the 27th year of her age. (*Slab.*)

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Oh, whither fled! ye dear illusions, stay!
So pale and silent lies the lovely clay.
Fair was the blossom, soft the vernal sky,
Elate with hope, we deemed no tempest nigh,
When lo! a whirlwind, instantaneous gust,
Left all its beauties withering in the dust.

"If we believe that Jesus died and rose again
even so, them also which sleep in Jesus, will
God bring with him."

I *Thessalonians* IV, 14.

Underneath / this stone / lies the mortal remains / of / Theodosia / Relict
of Gen. John *Wails* of Pittsburgh, Pa. / Daughter of Joseph & Rachel
Higbee / Born February 17th, 1771, / Died February 6th, 1833. /

In / memory of / Eldridge Wood / son of Henry and Hannah / Wood / who
departed this life / October 1st A.D. 1814 / in the 11th year of his / age

In / Memory of / *Joseph Wood / who died / in Trenton May 8th A.D. 1860
/ In the 60th year of his age / Having done much for the improvement / and
growth of this city, and being en- / dowed by his Creator with unusual /
Executive and business talents, he was twice / elected Mayor of the City of
Trenton / besides being honored with various other / offices of Trust and
responsibility, the / duties of which he discharged with active / diligence and
fidelity. / "For the grace of God that bringeth / salvation hath appeared to
all men. / Teaching us that, denying ungodliness / and worldly lusts, we
should live soberly / righteously, and godly, in this present / world; looking
for that blessed hope / and the glorious appearing of the / Great God and
our Saviour Jesus Christ". / Titus II. 11. 13.

Sacred / to the memory of / Josephine Louisa / only daughter of / Joseph
and Permelia G. Wood / who was born March 1st A.D. 1825 / and departed
this life / Suddenly on Monday the 21st of November A.D. 1836 / at 11
o'clock in the morning / aged 11 years 8 months and 20 days / She was of
an amiable / disposition, a kind and / Dutiful child, intelligent / And far
in advance / for one of her age / *Her spirit has fled to receive / the Reward of
the Righteous / in Heaven.*

Sacred / To the memory of / Mrs. Permelia G. Wood / wife of / Joseph
Wood / and daughter of Charles and / Sarah Sergeant / who departed this
life / on sabbath morning at 3 o'clock / April 28th A.D. 1839 / aged 38 years
10 months / and 20 days.

Sacred / to the memory of / *James D. Westcott, Esq. / Born in Bridgton /
Cumberland County, New Jersey / January 25th, A.D., 1775. / A citizen
who was honored with / many places of high public trust, / and in the last
ten years of his / life, was the Secretary of his native / State. He discharged
with / distinguished ability his duty to / his country; and honored by all; /

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beloved by those who knew him best; / he died universally lamented / on the 2nd day of March, / A.D., 1841, at Trenton. / Also / Ann Hains Westcott / wife of / James D. Westcott, Esq. / Born at Cedarville, / Cumberland County, N.J. / October 27th, 1776 / Died at Trenton, N.J. / October, 19th, 1849. / "There is rest in Heaven." (*Monument.*)

Sacred / to / the memory of / Hannah Wood / widow of / Henry Wood / who departed this life / in the hope of a blessed immortality / on the twenty-fourth day of / August A.D. 1850 / aged 87 years, 9 months / and 27 days. /

Sacred / to the memory of / Henry Wood / who departed this life / on the 18th day of June / A.D., 1844 / aged 56 years, 9 months / and 7 days. /

In memory of / James Wood, Jun. / who Died May . . . , 1776 / aged 58 years. /

Sacred / to / the memory of / Zachariah Wood / who departed / this life / May 3rd, A.D., 1847 / in the 54th year / of his age. /

In / memory of / William Wood / son of Henry & Hannah / Wood / who departed this life / 2nd day of November / 1817 / in the 21st year of his / age. /

Sacred / to the memory of / *George Woodruff / who departed this life / on the 2nd of September A.D. 1846 / in the 82 year / of his age. Sacred / to the memory of / Jean Woodruff / Relict of / George Woodruff / who departed this life / on the 24th of April A.D. 1848 / in the 76 year / of her age.

Y

In / Memory of / Joseph M. Yard / who departed this life / November 14th 1853 / Aged 63 years 6 months / and 8 days.

In / memory of / Mary / wife of / Joseph M. Yard / who departed this life / Feb. 5th, 1858 / aged 61 years, 6 months / and 24 days. /

THE COXE FAMILY

An old stone slab now emplaced in the exterior wall of the south tower bears the following inscription: "This slab formerly covered the vault of the Coxe Family over which the building was extended 1846-7."

JOHN COXE

Died 1753

DANIEL COXE

Died 1758

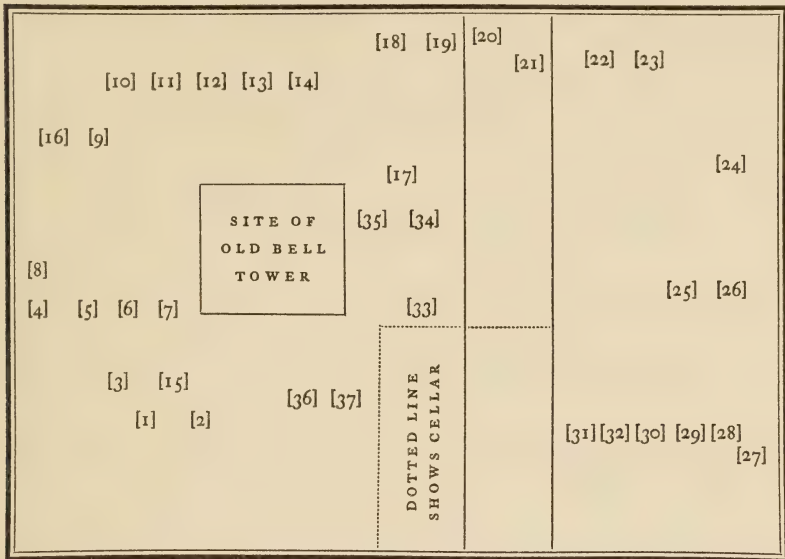
REBECCA COXE

Died 1802

APPENDIX O

NAMES AND INSCRIPTIONS ON TOMBSTONES OVER WHICH THE PARISH HOUSE WAS ERECTED IN 1892

The figures in plan below show site of tombstones, while the inscriptions on these are to be found opposite the respective figures on the pages following:



GROUND PLAN OF PARISH HOUSE IN REAR OF CHURCH

- No. 1 In memory of Elisha Gordon, who died on the 28th March, 1840 A.D. aged 80 years. By the conscientious discharge of the duties of his past state he prepared himself for those of the future.
- No. 2 Elizabeth, wife of Elisha Gordon, born Nov. 20, 1786. Died July 26, 1876.
- No. 3 In memory of Arthur Corry, who departed this life September the 26th, A.D. 1827, aged 61 years.
- No. 4 In memory of Margaret Ann Corry, who departed this life October 7th, 1807, aged 8 months & 8 days.
- No. 5 Sacred to the memory of Charles Ramsey, who died December 20th, 1851, aged 76 years. Also of Mary Ramsey, his wife, died September 27th 1831 aged 56 years.
- No. 6 Sacred to the memory of Miss Jane S. Gibson, a native of Charleston, S.C., who departed this life April 11, 1841 A.D. in the joyous hope of a glorious immortality.

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- No. 7 In memory of Capt. John Morrite, who departed this life August 12, 1812, aged 62 years and 2 months.
- No. 8 In memory of William Cain, who departed this life December 24, 1781, in the 35th year of his age.
- No. 9 Sacred to the memory of Maria Henderson who departed this life March 1st A.D. 1843 in the 71st year of her age.
- No. 10 Sacred to the memory of Grace Smick, who departed this life March 23d 1810, aged 51 years 10 months and 15 days.
- No. 11 Sacred to the memory of William Smick son of Peter and Grace Smick, who departed this life October 7, 1825, age 18 years, 9 months and 10 days.
- No. 12 Sacred to the memory of Grace Smick, daughter of George L. & Elizabeth Phillips, who departed this life December 21st A.D. 1842 aged 10 years 3 months & 17 days.
- No. 13 In memory of Daniel, son of George L. & Elizabeth Phillips, born October 17, 1834 died February 20, 1835, age 4 months & 3 days.
- No. 14 In memory of George L. Phillips, who departed this life September 18 A.D. 1847 age 45 years, 5 months & 21 days.
also of
Elizabeth, wife of George L. Phillips, born December 25th 1808, died Feby 17 1882.
- No. 15 Sacred to the memory of Thomas Cain, who departed this life, March 18th A.D. 1843, aged 67 years 9 months.
- No. 16 Jane, wife of Jonathan Bryant, departed this life November 7th A.D. 1828, in the 73d year of her age.
- No. 17 In memory of John W. Primmer, died July 23d 1864, in the 54 year of his age, also Emily R. Primmer, died March 24, 1864, in the 52d year of her age.
- No. 18 Fanny McDermott, of County Armagh, Ireland, died Feby. 4th 1868.
- No. 19 In memory of Jeremiah Buzhart, who died October 27, 1805, age 50 years. And of Ann his wife, who died Dec. 18, 1819, Aged 70 years.
- No. 20 In memory of Lydia, wife of Thomas Ashworth, a native of Manchester England. Born Nov. 30, 1800, Died August 17, 1860, aged 60 years.
- No. 21 In memory of John Wood, son of Wesley P. and Elizabeth Hunt, who died September 10, 1826, aged 8 weeks.
- No. 22 In memory of Mary Dagworthy (?) daughter of Wesley P. & Elizabeth Hunt, who died 22d August 1831, aged 19 months.
- No. 23 In memory of (name obliterated) daughter of Wesley & Elizabeth Hunt, who died 14 September, 1837, aged 12 months.

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- No. 24 In memory of Jane C. Pearson, wife of William Pearson, who departed this life September 9th A.D. 1842, in the 29th year of her age. Also their daughter, Louisa Bedford, who departed this life July 9th 1838, aged 9 months & 5 days.
- No. 25 William Snowden, died September 20, 1846, in the 51st year of his age.
- No. 26 Maria, widow of William Snowden, died July 20, 1851, in the 49th year of her age.
- No. 27 Catharine M. daughter of Joseph & Sarah Brittain, died November 24, 1871, aged 61 years 5 months & 14 days.
- No. 28 Sallie, daughter of Joseph & Susan Brittain, died February 26th, 1864, aged 75 years 6 months.
- No. 29 Susan, wife of Elias Hughes, and daughter of Joseph & Susan Brittain, died Nov. 24, 1861, age 75 years & 22 days.
- No. 30 Emma.
- No. 31 Sacred to the memory of Mary Forman, born May 18, 1803, died May 8, 1874.
- No. 32 In memory of Susan Elizabeth Forman, who died August 26 A.D. 1826, aged 20 years.
- No. 33 Sacred to the memory of Mrs. Mary Ann Allison, widow of the late Richard Allison who departed this mortal life August 8, 1829, aged 50 years.
- No. 34 To the memory of *John Mershon, who was born Christmas Day, A.D. 1792, and died December 15th A.D. 1842. Patient, cheerful, victorious, through the faith of the Son, Jesus Christ. In grateful remembrance of his unwearied devotion to the interests of St. Michael's Church for more than 20 years, the Vestry erect this tribute to his memory.
- No. 35 Eliza D. Mershon, widow of John Mershon, daughter of George & Ann Ryale, born February 3d 1792, died March 24th 1864.
- No. 36 In memory of Thomas Green, son of John D. and Francis Green, who departed this life August 23, 1825, aged 11 weeks and one day.

In De Cou's *History of St. Michael's* there is a list of names, pp. 111-21, which may profitably be consulted for locations. There is also given the names of certain persons whose remains have been removed and re-interred in Riverview Cemetery:

Charlotte Virginia, youngest daughter of John H. and Mary R. McIntosh. Born August 11, 1844; died, June 1, 1859.

Elizabeth Lewis, wife of Albert B. Dod, daughter of John H. and Mary R. McIntosh. Born, January 7, 1837; died, August 29, 1860.

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Also her infant son, Albert Baldwin Dod, born, June 13; died September 9, 1860. Also Elizabeth McIntosh Dod, died November 11, 1861, aged 2 years and 6 months.

Charlotte Neilson, Relict of the late John H. McIntosh. Born, June 17, 1801; died, June 18, 1887.

Lewis Pemberton Higbee. Born, November 27, 1809; died, January 17, A.D. 1859.

Mary Trent Rossell. Born December 3, 1815; died April 1, 1887.

*Major Zachariah Rossell. Born, November 14, 1788; died July 21, 1842.

Lydia Beakes, wife of Major Zachariah Rossell. Born, April 3, 1791; died April 4, 1848.

Mrs. Mary Weeks. Died January 7, 1878, aged 87 years.

George Weeks. Died August 11, 1857; aged 28 years.

APPENDIX P

TRANSCRIPTS FROM THE PARISH REGISTER OF ST. MICHAEL'S CHURCH

EARLIEST ENTRIES TO 1855

BAPTISMS, CONFIRMATIONS, MARRIAGES, BURIALS AND MISCELLANEOUS
PRINTED EXACTLY AS THEY APPEAR IN THE ORIGINAL BOOK
WITH CLASSIFIED INDEX APPENDED

THE entries for the earlier period are fragmentary, but from about 1818 onwards they seem to be fairly full and accurate.

The numerals in the upper right hand corner of each section correspond to the numbering of the pages in the original book. Entries are printed in the exact sequence that they appear in the Register, even though that method for some of the earlier records involves an occasional deviation from the chronological order.

The surnames will be found in a special index arranged under the headings respectively of Baptisms, Confirmations, Marriages and Burials.

The spelling of the proper names is followed meticulously even in cases where it seems to be inaccurate.

The entries conclude with the close of the Rev. Mr. Starr's rectorate in 1855. For subsequent records the later Parish Registers of St. Michael's Church are available.

The original book in a much worn condition is kept in a safe deposit vault and is not available for consultation.

The following is a list of the clergy who served in St. Michael's Church from 1763 to 1855, inclusive, which practically covers the periods for which any records have survived.

<i>Rectors</i>	<i>Term of Service</i>
The Rev. Augur Treadwell	1763-1765
The Rev. William Thompson	1769-1773
The Rev. George Panton	1773-1776
The Rev. William Frazer, occasional services	1769-1787
Rector of St. Michael's Church	1787-1795
The Rev. Henry Waddell	1798-1811
The Rev. John Ward	1811-1813
The Rev. Reuben Sherwood	1814-1815
The Rev. James Montgomery	1817-1818

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<i>Rectors</i>	<i>Term of Service</i>
The Rev. Abiel Carter	1818-1822
The Rev. William L. Johnson	1823-1830
The Rev. Frederick Beasley	1830-1836
The Rev. Samuel Starr	1836-1855

Record of Marriages Performed by the Rev. William Frazer 1768-1795

The Rev. William Frazer was rector of St. Michael's Church, from 1787 to 1795, but previous to that time, as far back as 1768, when he settled as an S. P. G. missionary at Amwell, he ministered to the Trenton congregation when it had no settled pastor, as was often the case. Many of his ministrations are concerned with places other than Trenton or Amwell. For a protracted period embracing the War of the Revolution, the Rev. Mr. Frazer was the only Episcopal clergyman serving in this locality, and hence his ministrations were widely sought.

A full record of the marriages performed by the Rev. Mr. Frazer, 1768-1795, including also those while acting as rector of St. Michael's Church, which latter alone are recorded below, may be found in the *Pennsylvania Magazine of History*, Vol. XII, p. 212. As these entries concern mainly his ministrations in Amwell, Kingwood, Ringoes, and Musconetcong, such are therefore not reprinted here.

(Parish Register of St. Michael's Church, Vol. I, pp. 1-100.)

BAPTISMS		[1]
		<i>Age</i>
1769		
July 16	Ann daughter to Philip & Mary Phista	6 weeks
18	Mary Wright daughter to John & Ann Metcalfe	2
Nov. 14	Eliz. daughter to Henry & Jane Cassey	10
1770		
Feb. 25	Nancy daughter to Thomas & Jane Bullman	2 mo.
June 4	Elizabeth daughter to Ransselaer & Catherine Williams	10
July 14	Mary daughter to Thos. & Eleanor Hunt	6
Sept. 9	William Morris son to Widow Eliz. Justice	3 years
17	Ann } Childn. to Richard & Ruth Lloyd	5 years
	Thomas }	3 years
23	William son to Jno. & Mary Sickles	3 years
	Eupheme daughter to Wm. & Zelphe Mountier	8 mo.
	Mary daughter to John and Mary Rew	
30	John } Children to James & Mary Wilson	
	& }	
	James, Chas. }	

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Oct. 8	Sarah Harcourt, Adult	} Childn. to Wm. & Sarah Harcourt	
	Martha Harcourt, Adult		
	Mary daughter to Wm. & Sarah Harcourt.		
Dec. 17	Elizabeth daughter to Isaac & Sarah Allen		8
1771			
Feb. 4	Catherine daughter to Wm. & Catherine Thomson		6
	Catherine daughter to Jacob & Elez. Hyer		2
14	Elizabeth daughter to James & Eleanor Ferrey		5
24	Catherine daughter to Godfrey & Eve Weimer		
Mar. 14	Mary Elisabeth Higbie	} Alias Pierson	
	Elisabeth Higbie		18
	Sarah Higbie		15
Mar. 14	Joseph	} Childn. to Robt. & Mary Eliz. Pearson	
	John		
	Mary		

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24	Sam. Rutherford	}		
	to Ruth Beadles		License
	Samuel Yardley			
	to Lucy Thornton	}	"
15	Daniel Gnehe			
	to Elez. Wilgoos			Banns
26	Wm. Watson	}	License
	to Sara Oaldan			
	Thomas Fish			
	to Elez. Delay	}		Banns
	Wm. Williams			
	to Susan Markworth			Banns
Jan. 2	Nat. Cotman	}	License
	to Martha Laramar			
	James Paxton			
	to Sarah Adams	}	"
	Lewis Francisco			
	to Charlotte Felixa			Banns

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BAPTISMS

			Age
1771			
May	1	John son to Dr. Williamson & Ann Peterson	7 months
	19	Mary }	5 years
		Sarah } Childn. to Jas. & Sarah Hill	3 years
		James }	7 months
Sept.	25	Susanna daughter to Alex. & Margaret Valdane	3 months
Nov.	10	Ann }	2 years
		& } Children to Francis & Jane Costigan	
		Isabella }	6 months
1772			
Jan.	2	Charlotte daughter to Isaac & Sarah Allen	7 weeks
Feb.	9	William son to Isaac & Mary Pearson	4 years
	23	Isaac Nichols, son to Toy	6 months
Mar.	22	Mary daughter to Thomas & Jane Bullman	4 m
April	5	Pompey a Negro child belonging to Wm. Cotman, Esq.	2
	11	William }	
		Ann } Children to Richd. & Bethia Loyd	
		James }	
		Caleb & }	8
		Curlis }	
	19	Isaac son to Pontius and Rachel Stelle	7 years
May	3	Susanna Grace daughter to Wm. & Su. Thomson	6 months
	4	Richard Lloyd, an Adult	18 years
	6	Ann Odell, wife to the Rev. Mr. Jonath. Odell	32 years
July	12	Margret daughter to Philip & Mary Phista	4 months
Aug.	9	Jane daughter to James & Susanna Bouchier	1 month
Oct.	19	Charles }	18 months
		& } Childn. to Joseph Eliz. Clunn.	
		Robt. Pearson }	1 month
	25	Jam son to Thomas & Eleanor Hunt	6 months

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May	6	Revd. Jonath. Odell }	License
		to }	
		Ann DeCou }	
June	21	Darby Wheyland }	Banns
		to }	
		Jane East }	
Sept.	27	Capt. Brereton Poynton }	License
		to }	
		Mary Rutherford }	
Oct.	18	Thomas Mc Na Mee }	Banns
		to }	
		Hanna Clemens }	
		Thomas Yardley }	
		to }	License
		Sarah Bailey }	

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	Thomas Murgtroyd	} License
	to Sara Tucker		
¹⁷⁷³ Jan. 19	Martin Taylor	} License
	to Mary Swainey		
20	Jas. Campbell	} "
	to Ann McKinzie		
Sept. 15	Dan'l. Price	}	Banns
	to Barbara Jones		

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BAPTISMS

		<i>Age</i>
¹⁷⁷² Dec. 6	Mary Swainey an adult	18 years
11	Elez. Ashmore wife to James Ashmore	22 years
	Elez. Ashmore	15 years
	Ann	4 "
	& Childn. to Elez. & James Ashmore	
	James	2 "
27	Susana Warrell Dr. to Rev'd. Wm. & Su. Thomson	2 weeks
¹⁷⁷³ Mar. 7	Susannah daughter to Darby & Jane Wheyland	6 months
	Mary daughter to William & Susan Williams	8 months
April 6	Luke Young Johnston son to Luke & Susan Story	3 months
9	George Eley an adult	22 years
18	Joseph son to James & Sara Paxton	7 months
May 25	Eliz. daughter to Robt. & Mary Pearson	6 months
June 27	John Hooper an adult	15 years
	Stephen	30 months
	& Sons to James & Mary Hooper	
	Clement	7 months
July 2	Elijah Barnes son to Jno. & Eliz. Jarvies	9 years
4	Thomas	4 years
	& Children to John & Lidia Gorman	
	Sarah	15 months
5	Sarah daughter to Thomas & Hanna McNaMe	4 months
9	Eliz. Clunn an adult	33 years
	Emy Clunn an adult, daughter to Jno. & Eliz. Clunn	14 years
	Margret Clunn	8 years
	Eliz. Clunn	6 years
	John Clunn	3 years
Nov. 7	Hanna & Elizabeth	} Children to John Allen, Esq., deceased
	Eliz.	
	Joseph	} Children to Job & Deborah Moore

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BURIALS

¹⁷⁴⁸		¹⁷⁹⁰	
Mar. 4	George Higbee	Aug. 16	David Brearley
¹⁷⁵¹		¹⁷⁹²	
July 20	Samuel Higbee, 1st	Feb. 24	George Brearley
¹⁷⁵⁷		¹⁷⁹⁶	
May 10	Samuel Higbee, 2d	June 10	Joseph Higbee
¹⁷⁶⁴		¹⁸⁰⁵	
May 20	John Higbee	April 2	Joseph H. Brearley
¹⁷⁷⁷			
Feb. 20	Rachel Higbee		

CHRISTENING

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			<i>Age.</i>
¹⁷⁷³			
July 11	Lidia Hankinson, an adult	14 years	
	Mary	11 years	
	Frances	9 years	
	James	Children to Peter & Rebecca Hankinson	7 years
	Sarah	3 years	
	William	6 months	
13	Henry	2 years	
	&	Child'n. to Ransalaer & Catherine Williams	
	Catherine	11 months	
19	John, son to John & Sarah Rynolds	6 months	
	Anne Hooper, an adult	37 years	
	Major	9 years	
	Mary	7 years	
	Sarah	6 years	
	Anne	Children to Thomas & Anne Hooper	5 years
	Rachael	3 years	
	Thomas	1 year	
	John William Saunders, son to Wm. & Ann Hick	8 months	
¹⁷⁸⁸			
July 20	Charles Bruton Mease, son to John & Frances Mease	1 month	
¹⁷⁹¹			
Nov. 1	Lucretia Gordon Jackson, daughter to Wm. & Louisa Jackson	1 month	

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Aug. 20 Married by Rev'd. John Wade, William Miller &
Patience Burke, both of this

The following persons were confirmed by the Rt. Rev'd. Bishop Jarvis, on Sunday, October 11, 1812.

Mrs. Elisabeth Brearly
Mrs. Charlotte Higbee
Mrs. Elis. L. Higbee
Miss Catharine Higbee

Mr. Westley P. Hunt
Mr. John R. Thompson
Miss Theodosia P. Hunt
Miss Elis. L. Higbee

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Miss Esther Brearly	Mr. Lewis P. Bayard
Miss Rebecca Fraser	Mrs. Jean Woodruff
Miss Mary Wall	Mrs. Muirhead
Miss Virginia Higbee	Mrs. Newell
Miss Lucy Ann Higbee	Miss Newell
Miss Mary Pearson	Miss Mary Pearson
Miss Elis. Pearson	Mrs. Lawrence
Miss Theodosia Pearson	Mrs. Martha Lowry
Mrs. Grace Gill	Miss Hankinson
Mr. Joseph Higbee, Jun.	

The above list is copied from a letter found in this book from the Rev. Jno. Ward to the Rt. Rev'd. Bishop Jarvis.

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The following persons were confirmed by the Rt. Rev. Bishop Croes, October 8, 1817.

Mrs. Mary La Maud	Miss Sarah Milnor Hunt
Miss Sarah How	Miss Mary Ryall
Mary Corry	Miss Constantia La Maud
Theodosia Coxé	Mr. Charles Fraser
Miss Charlotte Higbee	George H. Woodruff ¹

The above was obtained from the Episcopal Register of the Rt. Rev'd. Bishop Croes, by me.

ABIEL CARTER, *Rector*, 1821.

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1779	
July 13	Married Isaac Decou and Rachel Postlewaite, of Trenton.
1780	
Jan. 14	Married Wm. Lowrey of Flemington and Martha How of Trenton.
1782	
Mar. 7	Married Dan'l. Humphreys of Philadelphia and Jane Pinkerton, Trenton.
Dec. 11	Baptized Sarah daughter of John and Singer, of Trenton.
1784	
Oct. 24	Married Rich'd. Throgmorton and Abigail How, of Trenton.
1786	
Aug. 20	Baptized Philip son of Philip and Mary Fister, of Trenton, born July 6th, '82.
Dec. 4	Buried a daughter of Renssalaer Williams, of Trenton.
1787	
April 8	Baptized Susannah 3d daughter of John and Singer, of Trenton.
Feb. 25	Baptized Pettit 2 son of John and Abigail Wiggins, Trenton.
Sept. 17	Baptized Mary first daughter of John and Abigail Wiggins, Trenton.
Oct. 28	Baptized Nancy daughter of and Tompkins, Trenton.
4	Baptized Elizabeth Tweedy daughter of Isaac and Abigail Dunn of Trenton Landing.

¹Mr. Woodruff was admitted to the holy order of Deacons by the Rt. Rev'd. Bishop Croes, in the year 1819. In the Spring of 1821 he accepted a call from the Church in Carlisle, Penn., where he died March 25, 1822, much lamented.

A. CARTER, April 18

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- 1788
 Jan. 6 Married Aaron Mitchell (Negro) and Hannah Hunt (Mulatto), both of Trenton.
 Mar. 17 Baptized John Boden an adult of Trenton.
 April 27 Baptized Sarah daughter of Thos. and Sarah Wiggins.
 27 Baptized Isaac and Lydia, Negroes of Mr. Abraham Hunt.
 July 20 Baptized Chas. Brunton son of John and Francis Mease, Trenton.
 19 Married Cato Hunt and Poll Rosehill, Blacks, of Trenton.
 Nov. 9 Baptized John, James and Elisabeth, children of John and Sarah Chadwick, Trenton.

- 1789
 Mar. 29 Baptized Elinor Reed daughter of John and Singer.
 July 19 Baptized Sam'l. son of Frederick and of Trenton.
 Sept. 20 Married Edmund Burk of Trenton and Elizabeth Downie, of Amwell.
 1790
 Mar. 11 Bap. Mary daughter of Capt. Claypoole, Trenton.
 Aug. 1 Bap. Wm. son of Mr. Furman Carter, Lamberton.
 15 Bap. Mary daughter of Hains, Trenton.
 29 Bap. Mary, Thomas, Charles, Wm., Elisabeth, children of Joseph and Mary Bond.
 Margaret daughter of Jeremiah & Mary Frankford, and Jane daughter of Joseph and Elizabeth Dey, all of Trenton.

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- 1790
 Oct. 24 Bap. Mary and Gabriel, children of Phillis, a negro, of Mrs. Achsa Lambert, Trenton.
 Dec. 6 Married Wm. Rippon and Esther Minion, Trenton.
 1791
 Jan. 1 Married Tom Dekline and Sarah Hooten, Blacks.
 Aug. 7 Married John Dougherty and Ann Fister, Trenton.
 28 Bap. Anna, Sarah, Theodosia, Grace and Robert Higbee, children of Robert and Mary Pierson,
 Also Joseph Higbee, David and George, children of David and Elizabeth Brearley.
 Sept. 1 Married Mathias Barton of Lancaster to Miss Hetty Cox, of Bloomsbury.
 Oct. 9 Bap. Matthias a Mulatto boy of Gen. Dickinson and John a Negro boy of Col. Cadwallader.
 23 Bapti'd. Susannah a child at Mrs. Rogers.
 Nov. 1 Baptized Lucretia Gordon child of Wm. and Jackson.
 1792
 Mar. 25 Bap. Ambo, a free Negro woman.
 May 12 Married Niel Menaugh and Abigail Connor.
 July 8 Bap. Mary daughter of Capt. John and Elizabeth Throgmorton.
 Oct. 27 Married Thos. Hiltzimer of Philadel. and Theodosia Imley, of Trenton.
 Dec. 9 Bap. Alexander son of John and Sarah Abercrombie.
 1793
 Jan. 2 Baptized Richard John, son of Joseph & Mary Bond.
 Mar. 15 Baptized Philip Fister Bellamy, son of Wm. and Bellamy.
 8 Married Pontius D. Stelle and Mrs. Beula Wharton.

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- April 24 Married Henry Jones and Sarah Cowell of Trenton.
28 Married Jacob Hester and Mary Dippolt, of Trenton.
- May 19 Married Joseph McCreight and Martha Hart.
- Oct. 20 Baptized Philip son of John and Ann Dougherty.
27 Married John Williams and Sarah Munday.
- Nov. 3 Baptized Nich. G. Rutgers Rhea, son of Jonathan and Mary Rhea.
12 Married John Moodie and of Trenton.
12 Baptized Elisabeth an adult, daughter of John Moodie.
12 Baptized Thomas Hughes and Mary, children of Michael and Fanny
Roberts, of Philadelphia.
- 1791
- Aug. 14 Baptized Caroline Florence, daughter of General Knox, and Caroline
Knox, daughter of Sam'l. Ogden, omitted.
- 1788
- Oct. 12 Baptized Sarah, child of David and Elizabeth White, of the Island of
Jamaica, omitted.
Married Jacob Huff and Elizabeth Creamer at General Dickinsons.
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| 176) | July 17 | Hosier McFall
to
Ann Leister | } | Banns |
| | | | | |
| 1770 | Jan. 22 | Micajah Howe, Esq.
to
Sarah Field | } | License |
| | | | | |
| 1770 | Mar. 23 | Patrick Parks
to
Ann Gregoree | } | Banns |
| | | | | |
| 1770 | June 14 | Aron Quigly
to
Abigail Reed | } | License |
| | | | | |
| 1770 | Nov. 29 | Thos. Healwood
to
Margret Mahany | } | Banns |
| | | | | |
| 1771 | Feb. 22 | Nat. Lewis
to
Lucy Lawrence | } | License |
| | | | | |
| | Mar. 10 | Nat. Parker
to
Martha Plummer | } | License |
| | | | | |

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	Jacob Booce	} License
	to Barbara Harman		
	James Cooper	} License
	to Eliz. Duglass		
23	Robt. Hoops	} License
	to Martha Cottnam		

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BURIALS

1769			
Aug. 17	John Allen, Esq.	Feb. 17	Nat. Parker
Nov. 20	Jane Appleton	April 1	Eliz. Lawrence
Dec. 3	Catherine Parker	5	Mary Ingleheart
1770		Aug. 10	Thomas Hankison
Feb. 12	Mary Bond	Oct. 12	Susana Grace Thomson
July 10	William Livesey	Oct. 16	Mary Witte
Oct. 20	Pontius Stelle	19	Charles Clunn
Nov. 7	Sarah Harcourt	Nov. 2	Jane Holdin
Dec. 18	Mary Spencer	3	Barbara Shepeck
1771		Dec. 3	John East
April 28	Mary Pearson	15	Mary Trent, aged 83 years
	John Braithwait	1773	
1772		April 12	Darby Whealon
Feb. 1	Ann Ryan		Charles Clunn
11	Catherine Williams		

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Baptisms by the REVEREND JOHN WARD

1811			<i>Ages</i>
April 14	Joseph-Milnor	}	Children to Charles & Charlotte Higbee
	Charles		
	Elizabeth-Coles		
	Charlotte-Townsend		
April 21	Elizabeth-Lawrence, wife to Joseph Higbee		37 years
	Catherine, daughter to Joseph & Rachel Higbee		53 years
	Esther, daughter to David & Elizabeth Brearley		33 years
	Joseph-Charles	}	15 years
	Virginia		14 years
	Lucy-Ann		13 years
	Elizabeth-Lawrence		12 years
	Charlotte-Neilson		10 years
	Sarah-Milnor		7 years
	Mary-Randolph		6 years
	Lewis-Pemberton		2 years
	Theodosia Woods		5 months
		born Sept. 8, 1815	

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Westley-Pearson	}	Children to Pearson & Rachel Hunt	9 7
Theodosia-Philadelphia			
Sally-Milnor			
Robert-Abraham			

1812
 Jan. 26 Ann, daughter of
 April 11 Margaret, daughter of Alexander & Jane Corey.
 Sept. 5 Isabella, daughter of Armstrong.

Baptisms by the REVEREND MR. CROES

1814
 May 15 John, son of Thomas & Elizabeth Johnston 8 months 5
 Theodosia Wood Higbee, daughter of Charles &
 Charlotte Higbee

Baptism by the REV. MR. BAYARD

Aug. 2 Emily Hopkinson, daughter of Ebenezer & Ann Stout 1 yr. 1 mo. 25 da.

1817. *Baptism by the* REV'D. MR. CAMPBELL

Oct. 19 Cornelia Lawrence, daughter of Wm. & Jane Garey 2 yr. 2 mo. 6 d.

Baptism by MR. WARD

James T. Higbee, son of Charles & Charlotte Higbee.

Baptism by the REV'D. MR. SHERWOOD

Anne Higbee, daughter of Charles & Charlotte Higbee.

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Baptisms by the REV'D. MR. MONTGOMERY

John Preston, son of David & Eliz. Preston, born Feb. 1, 1817.
 Theodore & George, sons of Lewis & Cornelia Thompson.
 Frances, daughter of Charles & Charlotte Higbee.
 Elbridge Llewellyn, son of Elbridge and Elizabeth Ware,
 born Oct. 10, 1817.

Baptisms by the REV'D. MR. CARTER

1818
 Nov. 8 Elizabeth, daughter of Samuel & Hetty Newell, aged 9 mon. 15 days.

Baptisms by the REV'D. MR. BOYD

Dec. 10 Anna Maria, daughter of Abiel & Maria Carter,
 born Sept. 22, 1818, 2 " 12 "

Baptism by the REV'D. MR. CARTER

Louisa, daughter of John & Anna Marie Shaffer, born Dec. 26, 1818.
 Samuel, son of Arthur & Corry.
 James F., son of Joseph & Mary Bond.
 Joseph Alonzo, son of James F. & Anna Bond, born April 13, 1818.

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OF ST. MICHAEL'S CHURCH TRENTON

COMMENCING WITH THE RECTORSHIP OF THE
REV'D. ABIEL CARTER

- 1818
Sept. 7 Married by the Right Rev'd. Bishop Croes, John R. Thompson to Ann Montgomery.
Sept. Buried Sally Milnor Hunt, daughter of Pearson and Rachel Hunt.
Nov. 8 Baptism by the Rector, Elisabeth, daughter of Samuel and Hetty Newell, of Allentown, born Jan. 25, 1818.
Dec. 10 Baptised by the Rev'd. Mr. Boyd, of Philadelphia, Anna Maria, born Sept. 22, 1818, daughter of Abiel and Maria B. Carter.
Dec. Baptised by the Rector, Louisa, born Dec. 26, 1818, daughter of John & Anna Maria Shaffer.
Dec. Baptised, by the Rector, Samuel, born son of Arthur and Mary Correy.

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- 1818
Dec. 20 Burried, Mrs. Sarah Hamilton, wife of Hugh Hamilton.
Dec. 20 Burried Samuel, infant son of Arthur and Mary Correy.
1819
Jan. 10 Baptised, James F. Bond, an adult, also at the same time Joseph Alonso, born April 13, 1818, infant son of James F. & Anna Bond, & at the same time Baptised the children of Hugh, and the late Sarah Hamilton whose names and ages are respectively as follows:
Julia Ann, born Jan. 12, 1804.
Clementina, born
Alexander, born
Mary, born
By Mr. A. CARTER.
Feb. 14 Burried Miss Hetty Brearly.
April 9 Baptised Mrs. Lydia Mott, wife of John Mott, of Morrisville, by me.
A. CARTER.
June 3 Married by the Rector, John Johnson to Rosanna Runnels.
July 8 Baptised by the Rector, John, born May 13, 1819, son of James A. and Maria Stevens, which child died and was
July 9 Burried the next day. A. CARTER, *Rector*.

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In St. Michael's Church Yard, Trenton

- 1818
Sept. Sally Milnor Hunt (Fever) Aged
Dec. 20 Mrs. Sarah Hamilton, (Died Dec. 17 of Consumption) Aged about 40 years
Dec. 20 Samuel Corry, (an infant) Aged about 1 year

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1819		
Feb. 14	Miss Hetty Brearly, Died Feb. 12,	Aged
July 9	John Stevens, (an infant)	Aged 2 months
Aug. 15	Walter Townsend Higbee	Aged 6½ months
Dec. 20	Mrs. Ann Burhart, (Burnt by falling in fire)	Nearly 80 years
1820		
Jan. 14	Miss Theodosia Pearson (in family yard)	About 30 years
Jan. 19	Robert Pearson, Sen'r. (in family yard)	About 80 years
May 4	Mrs. Rebecca Frazer, (Wid. of Rec. Wm. F.)	About 70 years
July 27	Lavinia, infant child of Charles Higbee	2 months old
Aug. 18	Crook Stevenson (Drowned at Long Branch)	
Sept. 12	William Clark	1 year
Sept. 21	Emiline Augusta Ware	14 months
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1819	CHRISTIAN NAME	BIRTH	PARENTS	MINISTER
July 18	John, died next day	May 13, 1819	James A. & Maria Stevens	A. Carter
July 19	Walter Townsend	Jan. 31, 1819	Charles & Charlotte Higbee	"
Nov. 7	James Walter	May 28, 1819	Garret D. & Mary Wall	"
17	Jas. Alexander	May 11, 1816	James A. & Maria Stevens	Dr. Beach
17	Catharine Maria	Jan. 13, 1818	"	"
21	Emiline Augusta	July 20, 1819	Elbridge & Betty Ware	A. Carter
1820				
Jan. 9	Thomas	Sept. 28, 1819	Thomas and	Preston
				W. A. Muhlenberg
Feb. 14	William	Aug. 28, 1819	John and Jane Clark	A. Carter
Mar. 26	Sarah	Aug. 30, 1819	Sam'l. & Hetty Newell	"
April 2	Peter	Nov. 7, 1818	William & Jane Gary	"
Jan. 1	Aaron Dickinson	Aug. 3, 1817	Geo. & Jane Woodruff	"
May 9	Lewis, (died the same day)	Oct. 30, 1819	Hascott & Abigail Disborough	"
May 16	John	Nov. 25, 1809	Sam'l. & Adams	"
	Ann	Sept. 29, 1811	"	"
	Louisa	Sept. 24, 1813	"	"
	Maria Caroline	Sept. 12, 1815	"	"
	Samuel	Sept. 12, 1817	"	"
	Wm. Humphreys	Sept. 1, 1819	"	"
May 28	Mary Matilda	July 25, 1819	John R. & Ann Thompson	"
July 2	Ab'm. Beach	May 6, 1820	Abiel & Maria B. Carter	
				Sam'l. H. Turner
27	Lavinia, died same day	May 20, 1820	Charles & Charlotte Higbee	A. Carter
Aug. 5	Betsey	Oct. 26, 1819	Henry & Catharine O'Hara	"
8	Sarah (Col'd)	Dec. 15, 1796	Wife of Robert Henson	"
	Charlotte	Oct. 14, 1819	Robert & Sarah Henson	"
Sept. 10	Charlotte Higbee		Daughter of Cole	"
Sept. 16	Robert	Aug. 10, 1819	John & Margaret Dixon	"
	Isabella	April 6, 1820	Jonathon & Jane Clark	"
Oct. 27	Emily	Feb. 10, 1815	Crooke & Mary Stevenson	"
	Harriet Crooke	July 1, 1818	"	"

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MARRIAGES

in the Parish of St. Michael's Church, Trenton

1818	John R. Thompson & Ann Montgomery	By Bp. Croes
1819		
June 3	John Johnson & Rosanna Runnells	By A. Carter
Oct. 2	Samuel W. Potter & Caroline Runyan	By A. Carter
1820		
Jan. 16	John Harrison & Ellen Simons	By A. Carter

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1819		
July 19	Baptised Walter Townsend, born Jan. 31, 1819, son of Charles and Charlotte Higbee, by the Rector.	
Aug. 15	Buried the above named child.	
Nov. 7	Baptised by the Rector James Walter, born May 28, 1819, son of Garret D. & Mary Wall.	
Oct. 2	Married by the Rector, on Mill Hill, Samuel W. Potter to Caroline Runyan.	
		A. CARTER.
Nov. 17	Baptised by the Rev'd. Dr. Beach, James Alexander, born May 11, 1816, and Catharine Maria, born Jan. 13, 1818, children of James A. and Maria Stevens.	
Nov. 21	Baptised by the Rector, Emeline Augusta, born July 20, 1819, daughter of Elbridge & Betsey Ware.	
Dec. 20	Buried Mrs. Ann. Burhart. This was an old lady who for many years kept a small school in Trenton, but from age and infirmity had relinquished it, and being very indigent lived entirely alone. On Sunday morning Dec. 19, she was discovered in her room with her head in the fireplace, her clothes entirely burnt up, and her body burnt in a most shocking manner. It is supposed that she was overcome by sleep or else that she was seized with a fit and fell from her chair into the fire.	

A. CARTER, *Rector Elect.*

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1820		
Jan. 9	Baptised by the Rev'd. W. A. Muhlenberg, of Philadel., Thomas, born Sept. 28, 1819, son of Thomas & Preston.	
Jan. 14	Buried in the family burying ground, Miss Theodosia Pearson, daughter of Robert Pearson, Sen.	
Jan. 16	Married by the Rector, John Harrison to Ellen Simons.	
Jan. 19	Buried in the family burying ground, Robert Pearson (Senior).	
Feb. 14	Baptised by the Rector, William, born Aug. 28, 1819, son of John and Jane Clark.	
Mar. 26	Baptised by the Rector, Sarah, born Aug. 30, 1819, daughter of Sam'l. & Hetty Newell, of Allentown.	
April 2	Baptized by the Rector, Peter, born Nov. 7, 1818, son of Dr. William & Jane Gary, of Flemington.	

APPENDIX P

- Jan. 1 Baptized by the Rector, Aaron Dickinson, born Aug. 3, 1817, son of George & Jane Woodruff. (Omitted by mistake or neglect)
- May 4 Buried Mrs. Rebecca Frazer, widow of the late Rev'd. William Frazer, Rector of this Church.

A. CARTER, *Rector*.

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- May Baptized by the Rector, John, born Nov. 25, 1809, Ann, born Sept. 29, 1811, Louisa, born Sept. 24, 1813, Maria Caroline, born Sept. 12, 1815, Sam'l., born Sept. 12, 1817, William Humphreys, born Sept. 1, 1819, children of Samuel & Adams.
- May 28 Baptized by the Rector, Mary Matilda, born July 25, 1819, daughter of John K. & Ann Thompson.
- July 2 Baptized by the Rev'd. Samuel H. Turner, Abraham Beach, born May 6, 1820, son of Abiel and Maria B. Carter.
- July 27 Baptized by the Rector, Lavinia, born May 20, 1820, daughter of Charles and Charlotte Higbee.
- July 27 Buried the above child the same day.
- Aug. 5 Baptized by the Rector, Betsey, born Oct. 26, 1819, daughter of Henry and Catharine O'Hara.
- Aug. 8 Baptized by the Rector, Sarah, wife of Robert Henson, and Charlotte, born Oct. 14, 1819, daughter of the same.
- Sept. 10 Baptized by the Rector, Miss Charlotte Higbee Coles, from Dorsorus, Long Island, now residing with her Aunt, Mrs. C. Higbee.

A. CARTER, *Rector*.

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- Aug. 18 Buried Crooke Stevenson, drowned on the morning of yesterday at Long Branch.
- Sept. 12 Buried William, infant son of John and Jane Clark.
- Sept. 16 Baptized by the Rector, Robert, born Aug. 10, 1819, son of John and Margaret Dixon.
- Sept. 16 Baptized by the Rector, Isabella, born April 6, 1820, daughter of Jonathan and Jane Clark.
- Sept. 21 Buried Emiline Augusta, infant daughter of Elbridge and Elizabeth Ware.
- Oct. 27 Baptized by the Rector, Emily, born Feb. 10, 1815, and Harriet Crooke, born July 1, 1818, children of the late Crooke Stevenson & Mary his wife.
- Nov. 5 Baptized by the Rector, Mrs. Eliza Dewitt, wife of Mr. John Mershon and daughter of Mr. George Ryall.
- Nov. 28 Baptized by the Rector, at the house of Mr. James P. Morris, in Pennsylvania, Catharine, daughter of John and Anna Maria Schaffer, born Nov. 22, 1820.

A. CARTER, *Rector*.

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- Nov. 28 Baptized by the Rector, Eliza, daughter of James P. and Rosa Morris (of Penn.), born Aug. 26, 1820.

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1821

- Jan. 11 Baptized by the Rev'd. G. H. Woodruff, Elizabeth, daughter of David and Elizabeth Preston, born Jan. 1821.
- Feb. 11 Buried Mrs. Sarah Hall, an aged woman. Rev'd. Mr. Woodruff attended the funeral.
- April 13 Buried Mrs. Lucia Waddell, widow of the late Rev'd Dr. Waddell, Rector of St. Michael's Church, Trenton. Mrs. W. was buried in the same grave with her late husband.
- April 18 Buried on the North side of the yard, near the fence, Dennis Cain, a pensioner of the U.S., aged about 76 years.
- May 10 Married by the Rector, William H. Welling to Rachel H. Potter. These persons belong to the Presbyterian Church, and were married by me, in consequence of their Church being destitute of a Pastor.

Atten. ABIEL CARTER, *Rector*.

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- May 24 Married by the Rector, Mr. Cornelius Raum to Miss Mary Corry, daughter of Mr. Arthur Corry.

Atten. ABIEL CARTER.

- June 18 Baptized by the Rector, Elizabeth Pemberton Waddell, born June 2, 1819, and George Waddell, born Sept. 14, 1820, children of Henry L. Waddell, Esq., and Elizabeth, his wife, of Morrisville, Pennsylvania.

- Eliz. P. Waddell 1819, and George Waddell, born Sept. 14, 1820, children of Geo. Waddell Henry L. Waddell, Esq. and Elizabeth, his wife, of Morrisville, Pennsylvania.

- July 6 Married on Friday evening, July 6, 1821, Mr. Jacob Waldburg, of Savannah, Geo., to Miss Elizabeth Lawrence, third daughter of Joseph Higbee, Esquire, by me.

ABIEL CARTER, *Rector*.

- July 9 Buried, this day, in a cemetery attached to a Baptist meeting house, about three miles west of her late residence, Miss Sally Lawrence (aged about 70 years) of the place commonly called "Mulberry Hill," near Allentown.

ABIEL CARTER.

- July 10 Baptized Mary Haster, born June 21, 1819 and Robert (Udolphus) Haster, born March 26, 1821, children of John and Rhoda Haster.

Private.

ABIEL CARTER, *Rector*.

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- July 31 Baptized William, son of Benjamin and Deborah Bryant, born July 18, 1821, by me Abiel Carter (Rector). (Private) (This child died soon after baptism.)

- Aug. 9 Married in Bucks County, Penn., on Thursday evening, August 9, 1821, Mr. Joseph Lewis Cunningham, of Boston, Mass., to Miss Mary Ann Riche Inman.

By ABIEL CARTER, *Rector*.

- Aug. 9 Baptized at the house of her father in Bucks County, Penn., Rosa Livingston, born Aug. 7, 1820, daughter of Charles Swift and Sarah Coombe Riche.

By me, ABIEL CARTER, *Rector*.

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APPENDIX P

Aug. 10 Baptized the following, the children of James and Sarah Johnson.

Eliza, born Sept. 5, 1802,
Mary, born Aug. 1, 1805,
Catharine, born Mar. 24, 1808,
Sarah Ann, born Sept. 5, 1810,
Jane, born July 25, 1813,
Hannah Howell, born Dec. 27, 1815.

By me, ABIEL CARTER, *Rector*.

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Aug. 12 Baptized Miss Jane Burns Ryno, born March 19, 1807, daughter of Ephraim and Sarah Ryno.

By me, ABIEL CARTER, *Rector*.

Aug. 18 Baptized Mrs. Eliza Loats, born

By me, ABIEL CARTER.

Aug. 19 Baptized Mr. John Mott, of Morrisville, Pennsylvania.

By ABIEL CARTER, *Rector*.

Aug. 19 Confirmed by the Rt. Rev'd. Bishop Croes.

Mrs. Theodosia Woods	Miss Julia Ann Hamilton
Mrs. Lydia Mott	Clementina Hamilton
Mrs. Eliza D. Mershon	Eliza Johnson
Mr. John Mershon	Mary Johnson
Mr. John Mott	Louise Lamaud
James Swan	Sarah M. Higbee
Patrick H. Woodruff	Mary R. Higbee
Robert J. Woodruff	Ann Higbee
Joseph M. Higbee	Mrs. Eliza Loats
Joseph O'Hara	Miss Mary Ann O'Hara
Miss Susan Brittain	Jane B. Ryno
Elizabeth Corry	Elizabeth Pearson
Jane Leggett Corry	Sarah Pearson
Jane Gary	Sarah Hay
Rebecca Gary	Elizabeth L. Hay

Attest—ABIEL CARTER, *Rector*.

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1821

Aug. 20 Baptized Susan, born Aug. 5, 1821, daughter of John & Jane Dixon.

(Aug. 22, Convention) By me, ABIEL CARTER, *Rector*.

Sept. 6 Baptized Rebecca Ann, daughter of John and Rosanna Johnson, born March 5, 1820.

ABIEL CARTER, *Rector*.

Sept. 6 Baptized Louisa, born Nov. 9, 1819, daughter of Laurence and Susanna Kuzmul.

ABIEL CARTER, *Rector*.

Sept. 16 Baptized Anna, born April 20, 1819,
" Henry, born May 11, 1821,
children of Henry and Mary Mc Veay, of Penn.

By me, ABIEL CARTER, *Rector*.

HISTORY OF ST. MICHAEL'S CHURCH

- Sept. 16 Baptized Mary Frances, born April 17, 1813, daughter of Daniel and Ann Ryall, both deceased. This child was presented for baptism by her Aunt Miss Mary Ryall, by whom she has been adopted.
ABIEL CARTER, *Rector*.
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- Sept. 22 Married Mr. William Berrian, to Miss Mary Boisnot, at the house of Mr. Ephraim Ryno.
ABIEL CARTER, *Rector*.
- Sept. 23 Baptized Mary Sophia, born Aug. 15, 1821, daughter of Joseph and Mary Quintin, of Pennsylvania.
ABIEL CARTER, *Rector*.
- Oct. 7 Baptized Gertrude Covert, in her 16th year, daughter of John and Jane Covert.
ABIEL CARTER, *Rector*.
- Oct. 7 Baptized Keziah Wilson
ABIEL CARTER, *Rector*.
- Oct. 13 Married, at my house Mr. James Williamson to Miss Mary Nickle, both natives of Ireland, and residents in Bucks Co., Pennsylvania.
ABIEL CARTER, *Rector*.
- 1822
- Jan. 6 Baptized Emeline Augusta, born 1821, daughter of Elbridge and Elizabeth Ware.
ABIEL CARTER, *Rector*.
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- Jan. 9 Married, at the house of Mr. William Rodman, in Bucks County, Penn., Doct. John Ruan to Miss Susan Rodman.
A. CARTER, *Rector*.
- (Wednesday)
- Jan. 18 Baptized the following children of James and Margaret Hunt.
 Sarah, born Nov. 21, 1802,
 Thomas, born March 15, 1805,
 Margaret, born Feb. 24, 1810,
 James, born June 3, 1812,
 Ann Eliza, born Jan. 27, 1815, also
 Benjamin, born Aug. 4, 1816, son of
 George and Elizabeth Hunt.
A. CARTER, *Rector*.
- N.B. Jas. Hunt, the father, died March 13, 1822, and was buried in the Methodist ground. A.C.
- Mar. 17 Baptized at my house,
 Charlotte, born July 18, 1819,
 Mary, born March 31, 1821,
 children of William and Mary Powers, from Ireland.
A. CARTER, *Rector*.
- Mar. 29 Buried on Friday afternoon, 29th of March, Mrs. Mary Wall, wife of Garret D. Wall, Esquire, and daughter of the late Colonel Jonathan Rhea. She died suddenly, on the night of Wednesday.
A. CARTER, *Rector*.
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APPENDIX P

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- Mar. 31 Baptized Robert Montgomery, born 1821, son of Samuel and Hetty Newell, of Allentown.
A. CARTER.
- April 5 Baptized Mrs. Harriet Lanning, also
Good Friday " Julia Ann, born Dec. 27, 1812,
" Caroline, born April 26, 1815,
" Catharine, born Oct. 31, 1817,
" Elizabeth, born Feb. 6, 1820,
Children of the above Mrs. Lanning.
A. CARTER, *Rector*.
- April 8 Baptized, on her bed of sickness at Lamberton, Mrs. Sarah Potts, wife of Wm. Potts.
ABIEL CARTER, *Rector*.
- April 14 Baptized John born son of James A. and Maria Stevens.
ABIEL CARTER.
- May 6 Baptized at Lamberton.
Ann, born March 25, 1810, also
Sarah, born Feb. 10, 1813,
Children of Wm. and Sarah Potts.
For these children, Misses Eliza Gibson and Susan Brittain stood as sponsors.
ABIEL CARTER.

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- May 9 Married Mr. John Mark to Miss Maria Woodruff, daughter of the late Mr. Ogden Woodruff.
By me, ABIEL CARTER.
- July 3 Buried near the East end of the Church, Col. James Johnston, of Savannah, Georgia, a summer resident in this City.
ABIEL CARTER.
- July 4 Baptized Jane, daughter of David and Elizabeth Preston, born June 21, 1822.
ABIEL CARTER.
- July 11 Buried an infant child of John & Rosanna Johnston.
A. CARTER.
- July 27 Baptized Amelia, born Jan. 7, 1822, daughter of James A. and Maria Stevens.
ABIEL CARTER.
- July 27 Baptized Susannah, born July 5, 1822, daughter of Andrew and Ann Noble.
ABIEL CARTER.
- July 30 Baptized Charles Mortimer, born May 25, 1822, son of Henry L. and Elizabeth Waddell.
ABIEL CARTER.

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- Aug. 2 Buried Mrs. M. Weston, wife of Francis M. Weston, of S. Carolina. This lady had been traveling for her health, and having arrived here was unable to proceed farther.
- ABIEL CARTER.
- Aug. 4 Buried Amelia, infant daughter of James A. and Maria Stevens.
- ABIEL CARTER.
- Aug. 13 Buried Jane, infant daughter of David and Elizabeth Preston.
(Convention Aug. 22)
- A. CARTER.
- Sept. 21 Married at my house, Christopher Marian to Barbary Ann Paulin, both German, and living at H. L. Waddells, Pa.
- ABIEL CARTER.
- Sept. 29 Baptized George Millen, son of Jacob and Elizabeth L. Waldburg.
- ABIEL CARTER.
- Oct. 14 Baptized at Morrisville, Pa., on her bed of sickness, Molly Mitchell, aged about 60 years.
- ABIEL CARTER.
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- Oct. 17 Baptized at the residence of her Father, in Bucks County, Pa., Mary, daughter of James P. and Rosa Morris, born Aug. 5, 1822.
- ABIEL CARTER, R'r.
- Oct. 20 Baptized Thomas Robert Taylor, an adult, aged about 25 years.
- ABIEL CARTER, R'r.
- Oct. 20 Baptized,
Mary, born May 18, 1811,
John, born Feb. 18, 1813,
Gilbert, born Jan. 29, 1815,
Rebecca, born May 12, 1817,
William, born Aug. 12, 1820,
Children of William and Susan Roe.
- ABIEL CARTER, R'r.
- Oct. 20 Baptized Catharine, born Aug. 21, 1822, daughter of Cornelius and Mary Raum.
- ABIEL CARTER, R'r.
- Oct. 25 Baptized William Montgomery, born March 11, 1822, son of John R. and Ann Thompson.
- ABIEL CARTER, R'r.
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- Nov. 3 Baptized Mrs. Mary Frances Glen.
- ABIEL CARTER, R'r.
- Nov. 3 Baptized Catharine Margaret and Elizabeth Rose, twin daughters of the late Joseph Brittain, and Sarah his wife. These children were born on the 10th day of June 1810.
- ABIEL CARTER, R'r.
- Nov. 3 Baptized William Sproals, born Nov. 2, 1812,
" James Bowden, born Sept. 10, 1816,
" John Lowry, born Dec. 29, 1818,
Children of William and Elizabeth Robinson.
- ABIEL CARTER, R'r.

APPENDIX P

Nov. 3 Baptized Charles, born Aug. 12, 1822, son of Henry and Catharine O'Hara.

ABIEL CARTER.

Nov. 3 Baptized Virginia, daughter of Joseph Higbee, Jun'r. and Eleanor, his wife, born August 1820.

ABIEL CARTER, *R'r.*

Nov. 4 Baptized William Baker, born Oct. 22, 1815, son of Joseph and Sarah Brittain.

ABIEL CARTER.

Note: On Sunday Nov. 3, was dissolved my official connection with St. Michaels Church, Trenton.

ABIEL CARTER.

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Dec. 17 Ann Spencer Halsted, born May 17, 1820, and Benjamin Bostock Halsted, born June 13, 1822, children of William & Frances Mary Halsted, were baptized this day, by the Rev'd. David Moore, A.M., Rector of Saint Andrews Church, Staten Island, N.Y.

P. F. GLENTWORTH, *Ch. Warden.*

1823

Jan. 12 Married on Sunday afternoon, Jan. 12, 1823, in Saint Michael's Church, Trenton, immediately after divine service, in the presence of the congregation, by the Rev'd. Lewis P. Bayard, Rector of Trinity Church, New Rochelle, West Chester County, in the State of New York. The Rev'd. Thomas Lyell, D.D., Rector of Christ Church, in the City of New York, to Miss Julia Ann Rhea, daughter of the late Col. Jonathan Rhea of this City.

P. F. GLENTWORTH, *Ch. Warden.*

April 21 Baptized, Eliza Cearns, (aged 7 years), Maria Cearns (4 years) & Thomas Cearns (aged 13 months), children of Thomas Cearns & Sarah his wife.

WM. L. JOHNSON, *R'r.*

May 25 Baptized, John McCarty aged 9 years,
Elizabeth 5 years,
Thomas 6 months,
Jane 3 years,
Children of Matthew Barron & Maria, his wife.

W. L. JOHNSON, *R'r.*

May 26 Baptized, Wm. Waterley Weller, child of Maria Weller.

W. L. JOHNSON.

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June 1 Buried June 1, Thos. Cearns, infant child of Thos. Cearns & Sarah, his wife, Morrisville, Pa.

W. L. JOHNSON, *R'r.*

June 25 Baptized at Mr. Waddell's, Pa., Philip Henry, son of Christopher & Barbara Marian.

W. L. JOHNSON, *R'r.*

HISTORY OF ST. MICHAEL'S CHURCH

- July 20 Baptized in the Church, Sunday a.m., Mary, daughter of Samuel Newell, of Allentown, and Betty, his wife, born March 30.
W. L. JOHNSON.
- July 27 Buried George Dabile, of Gottingen, living with Mr. Waddell, Pa.
WM. L. JOHNSON, *R'r.*
- July 28 Buried William Humphreys, of Trenton, in the South part of the yard against the fence.
WM. L. JOHNSON, *Rector.*
- Aug. 2 Baptized Margaret, daughter of James & Margaret Short, aged 7 months.
W. L. JOHNSON, *R'r.*
- Aug. 5 Baptized Amelia, daughter of Robert Henson & Sarah, his wife, born 1821, Colored.
W. L. JOHNSON.
- Aug. 7 Buried in the ground belonging to the African Methodist Epis'l. Church, Amelia, the infant daughter of Robert Henson & Sarah, his wife.
W. L. JOHNSON.
- Oct. 22 Buried in the ground belonging to the African Methodist Episcopal Church, Catherine, wife of Robert Steward.
W. L. JOHNSON.
- Oct. 24 Baptized, Charles, son of Jas. Dixon and Maria, his wife.
W. L. J.
- Dec. 6 Buried Mrs. Margaret Clunn, aged 84, of Trenton.
W. L. JOHNSON.
- Dec. 7 Buried, Pauline, infant child of Mrs. Holton & Joseph Buonaparte.
W. L. JOHNSON.

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- Dec. 9 Baptized, Rebecca Cain, adult, and also
Aged { Charles 9 years
Rebecca Frazer 6 years } Children.
William 3
Sarah 1
of Charles & Rebecca Cain.
W. L. J.
- Dec. 9 Buried, Thomas, infant child of Charles & Rebecca Cain.
WM. L. JOHNSON, *Rector.*
- Dec. 15 Baptized, Sarah } Aged 6 years
Thos. Pierce } 4
Elizabeth } 1
children of Thomas & Sarah Johnston.
W. L. JOHNSON, *R.*
- Dec. 18 Buried Mrs. Jane Benjamin, aged 98 years.
W. L. J.
- Dec. 23 Married, on Mill Hill, Mr. Chas. Moore to Miss Elizabeth Corry, daughter of Arthur Corry.
WM. L. JOHNSON, *Rector.*
- Dec. 25 Baptized, Plunket Theodore, son of George and Sophia Glentworth.
WM. L. JOHNSON.

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- Dec. 30 Buried, Elizabeth, infant child of John and Catherine Hester.
WM. L. JOHNSON, *Rector*.
1824.
May 9 Baptized, William, son of Henry McVay & Mary his wife, at the same time, baptized Joseph, son of James & Nancy Murphy.
WM. L. JOHNSON, *R'r*.
- May 14 Married, at Mr. John Noble's, in the City of Trenton, Mr. Joseph McCarragher to Miss Lilly Noble.
WM. L. JOHNSON.
- July 9 Married, at the tavern of Jacob Hester, Samuel Koon to Almira Walton.
WM. L. JOHNSON.
- Sept. 3 Buried, Mrs. Catherine Slack, of Bloomsbury, aged 85 years.
W. L. J.
- Sept. 5 Baptized, Mary, daughter of William & Jane Hart, at the same time, Elizabeth, daughter of Cornelius & Mary Raum.
W. L. J.
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- Sept. 7 Buried, Lucia, infant daughter of Mr. Henry Waddell, Pa.
WM. L. JOHNSON.
- Sept. 23 Married, Mr. Elias Kelly to Miss Kesiah Corry, both of Upper Freehold.
W. L. J.
- Dec. 25 Baptized, Ann & Joseph, children of Mr. John Savage, of Lamberton & Hetty his wife.
W. L. J.
1825.
Jan. 2 Married, Don Carlos Hall, Esq., of Baltimore, Md., to Miss Eliza Roberts, of Trenton, (people of colour).
WM. L. J.
- Jan. 6 Married, at Bloomsbury, Mansfield Herbert to Miss Susan Houton. (Coloured).
WM. L. J.
- Jan. 16 Baptized, Isabel, daughter of Andrew Noble, of Ireland.
WM. L. J.
- Feb. 24 Married, Mr. John Ryno to Miss Julia Ann Rednor.
WM. L. JOHNSON, *R'r*.
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- Mar. 26 Married, William Gillespy to Mrs. Martha Petit, also at the same time, John Bryson Smithson to Miss Nancy Dixon.
W. L. J.
- Mar. 28 Baptized, William, son of William and Mary Powers.
W. L. J.
- Mar. 27 Baptized, Elizabeth Roosevelt, eldest daughter of the Rev. Wm. & Mary Johnson, by Rev. P. S. TenBroek, of Portland, Maine.
W. L. J.
- April 24 Baptized, Emily Ryall, an adult.
26 Baptized, Mary Jane, daughter of John & Maria Dixon.

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| May 4 | The following persons were confirmed by the Right Rev'd. Bishop Croes, in St. Michael's Church, Trenton. | |
| | Miss Jane Corry | Miss Mary Furman |
| | Miss Elizabeth Clark | Miss Wilhelmina Garey |
| | Mr. Joseph Clark | Miss Elizabeth Higbee |
| | Mr. Wm. Dixon | Miss Charlotte Higbee |
| | Mr. John Dixon | Mr. Charles Higbee, Jun. |

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Mr. Lewis Higbee
Miss Mary Roe
Mrs. Susan Roe

W. L. JOHNSON, *Rector.*

1825

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| July 30 | Baptized, Joseph & William | } Aged 9 months
Aged two years & 6 months |
| | Children of James and Ann Hamilton. | |
| Aug. 6 | Baptized at Riche's Manor, Pa., Susan Inman, infant child of Charles S. & Sarah Riche. | |
| Aug. 9 | Buried, Enoch Green, infant son of John David Green, of this place. | |
| Aug. 13 | Buried, David, infant son of John David Green, of this place. | |
| Aug. 14 | Baptized, Hannah, aged 2 years and 1 month, daughter of John & Rosanna Johnson, of Bloomsbury. | |
| Sept. 8 | Married, at the house of Mr. Bispham, Thos. Vanpelt to Alice Campbell, both of Bucks County, Pa. | |
| Sept. 29 | Buried, Thomas Johnston, a native of Ireland. | |
| Oct. 16 | Baptized, Mary Lawrence, daughter of — and Mary Pennington, of Mulberry Hill, near Allentown. | |
| Oct. 27 | Baptized, Elizabeth Lawrence, infant daughter of Jacob & Elizabeth Waldeburgh, of Savannah, Geo. | |

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| Nov. 25 | Buried, from the house of his brother-in-law, Mr. Longstreth of Milham, Charles Lupp, of New Brunswick. |
| Nov. 26 | Buried, Moore Furman Hunt, in the 21st year of his age. |
| Dec. 22 | Buried, Mr. Chas. Yard of this place. |
| 1826. | |
| Feb. 5 | Married, Charles Kinsey of New York to Eliza Brown, of Bristol, Pa. |
| Feb. 16 | Married, Abraham Prall Atkinson to Lydia Stowell, both of this place. |
| Feb. 18 | Buried, LaFayette, son of Robert and Rachel Field, of this place.—
People of colour. |
| Mar. 1 | Buried, Susanna Matilda Hunt, the youngest & only remaining daughter of the late Gen. Peter Hunt, of Lamberton, in the 17th year of her age. She died triumphant in faith & full of hope. God grant the dear girl a happy resurrection. |

W. L. J.

- Mar. 12 Buried in the old Baptist burying ground, at Bloomsbury, Mrs. Ann Jones, aged 66 years.

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Omitted.

Feb. 25 Baptized, Juliet Louisa, aged 15 years,
 Euphemia Elizabeth, aged 8 years,
 Joseph Edwin, 12 years,
 Mary Ann, 4 months, (since dead)

Children of Joseph and Sarah Potts.
 Mar. 21 Baptized, Lois Bryant, aged 17 years &
 Hannah Robinson, aged 7 years,
 Children of Benjamin & Deborah Bryant.

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April 9 Baptized, Sarah Boardley, a woman of colour.

April 13 Married, at the house of Mr. J. Morris, Bucks Co., Pa., the Rev. Wm. Chatterdon to Miss Louisa Morris.

April 23 Baptized, on Mill Hill, { Sarah G., aged 17 years,
 { Drusilla 12 "
 { Susanna 6 "

Children of Jacob & Ann Probasco.

April 26 Baptized, on Mill Hill, Sarah, aged 6 months, daughter of Elizabeth & Chas. Moore, at the same time & place, Mary Ann, aged 5 weeks, daughter of Cornelius & Mary Rome, also William aged 5 months, son of Wm. & Jane Hart.

May 22 Baptized, Margaret, aged 4 months, daughter of John Bryson Smithson & Nancy his wife.

June 28 Married, Mr. Samuel Biles to Miss Susan Howell, both of Trenton, N.J.

July 10 Buried, Mrs. Hannah Simons, wife of Wm. Simons, of England.

July 30 Baptized, James, son of James and Nancy Murphey.

Aug. 5 Buried, Mary Ryall, of a severe and distressing complaint, which she endured patiently, in the 49th year of her age.

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Aug. 22 Buried, James, son of the late Gen. Wilson, Postmaster, in the 9th year of his age.

Aug. 25 Baptized, Wm. Steinbach, aged 6 years,
 Chas. Frederick 4 "
 Mary VanUxem 2 "
 Pemberton Waddell 3 months

Children of Frederick Martini, of Morrisville, Pa., and Nancy his wife.

26 Buried Susan Forman, second daughter of the late Robert Forman, of Pittstown, N.J., in the 21st year of her age.

Sept. 22 Buried Harriet 3d daughter of Mr. Archib. McCall, of Bloomsbury, in the 17th year of her age.

Oct. 10 Buried in the Presbyterian ground, Joseph, son of George Rossell, of Bloomsbury.

Oct. 26 Buried Joseph Bond, aged 83, of England.

Oct. 30 Baptized, on her sick bed, Mary Morgan Ryall, an adult.

Nov. 2 Buried Mary Morgan Ryall, aged 26.

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- Mar. 4 Baptized Sam'l. Roosevelt, son of Rev. W. L. Johnson & Mary his wife,
aged 6 mo.
Mar. 5 Baptised Sarah, daughter of Andrew & Joanna Noble, aged 5 months.
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- April 5 Baptized, Elizabeth Ann, aged 18 years,
John Rainbird, 19
Joseph Augustus, 13
Sarah Hunt, 11
Mary Louisa, 9
Phil. Franklin, 7
Wm. Bond, 5
Wesley Hunt, 3
Children of Philip and Elizabeth Slack.
10 Buried David Green, aged 65 years.
15 Baptized, Sarah, daughter of Edward and Mary Dolton.
30 Buried Eliza Ann, daughter of Philip & Elizabeth Slack, aged 18 years.
May 18 Baptized William, son of Christopher & Barbara Marian, aged 10 months.
18 Married on Mill Hill, John Haines to Mrs. Margaret Dablee, of Germany.
Omitted { Aug. 6 Baptized, John Cassey, son of Robert & Sarah
1826 Henson, aged three months.
Aug. 9 Baptized Robert, son of Robert & Sarah Henson,
1826 aged 2 years. (coloured)
1827
May 27 Baptized, Arbonah Armelle Neltarh, an adult.

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- June 4 Buried Miss Catherine Higbee, in the 69th year of her age.
June 14 Married at Mr. Wm. Pearson's, Mr. Jedekiah Curtis, of Wheeling, to
Miss Sarah Pearson, youngest daughter of Mr. Wm. Pearson.
July 10 Baptized, George, aged 4 years, } Children of
Eliz. Virginia, 1 year, }
Thomas Miles and Elizabeth his wife.
Sept. 19 Buried, Benjamin Bryant, aged 49 years.
Sept. 27 Buried, Arthur Corry, of England, aged 53.
Sept. 29 Buried Mrs. Nancy Gregg, wife of Wm. Gregg, a native of England.
Oct. 15 Buried, Mr. Wm. Thompson.
Oct. 25 Baptized, Stacy Alpheus, son of Mr. Joseph Potts.
Dec. 18 Buried, infant child of Mr. Harry Waddell, Pa.
Dec. 25 Baptized, Pauline Josephine Laudy, of Lambertton, N.J., daughter of
Hyacinthe Desire Laudy, of Metz (department of dela Moselle) France
& Margaretta Janit Laudy.
Dec. 5 Married at Chestertown near Bordentown, Mr. Pearson, Esq. of Notting-
ham township, to Mrs. Elizabeth Hunt.

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- Feb. 1 Buried, Charlotte Powers, aged 11 years, daughter of Wm. Powers, Pa., Morrisville.
 2 Buried Mr. John Anderson, of Trenton, in the 69th year of his age.
 4 Baptized Mary Ann, aged 2 months, daughter of Don Carlos Hall & Eliza his wife.
 “Hannah Ann, aged 1 month, daughter of Samuel Roberts & Rebecca his wife.
 Feb. 24 Baptized, New York, Louisa, daughter of Matthias Barron & Maria his wife.
 Feb. 26 Buried, Joseph Ryno, aged three years, son of J. Ryno.
 Mar. 27 Married at Belleville, N.J., at the house of Thos. S. Uffington, Esq., Thomas Nott, Jun., of the house of Nott & Sons, Philadelphia, to Anna U., daughter of T. S. Uffington.
 Baptized, Robert, son of Mrs. Nancy Murphy, on Sunday, May 11.
 July 16 Buried Sarah Tucker, daughter of the late Elle A. Tucker, aged 19 years.
 Married, July 31, Samuel Norris, of Bristol, Pa., to Sarah Briscoe of the same place.
 Aug. 14 Buried Glentworth, son of Wm. Halsted, aged 4 weeks.

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- Aug. 18 Buried at the family ground, Bolton, Pa., Mrs. Phebe Chaderton, wife of Rev. Wm. Chaderton, and daughter of Mr. Morris.
 Aug. 30 Buried, Mrs. Sarah Henson (coloured), also at the same time, Baptized, Wm., son of Robert and Sarah Henson, aged two days.
 Sept. 7 Baptized, Henry, son of Jas. & Nancy Murphy, aged 4 months.
 Sept. 9 The following persons were confirmed in St. Michael's Church, Trenton, by the Right Rev. Bishop Croes.
 Mrs. Potts, Margaret Corry,
 Juliet Potts, Ann Creegg,
 Mary Hamilton, Mrs. Laning,
 Emily Ryall,
 Nov. 6 Buried, Mr. Pearson Hunt, Cashier of the Trenton Banking Company, after a short but severe illness.
 Nov. 7 Buried, Mrs. Jane Bryant, wife of Jonathan Bryant, Sexton of St. Michaels, in 78 year of her age.
 Nov. 24 Buried, Mr. Samuel Rudolph, of Philadelphia. The deceased was very intemperate, & by mistake took a large dose of laudanum, during a drunken fit. A warning to all.

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- Nov. 25 Buried, Wm. son of Robert Henson, aged three months. (coloured)
 27 Buried, Mrs. Lydia Parker, of Mill Hill, aged 36.
 Dec. 3 Married, Isaac G. Semour, of Geo., to C. E. Whitlock.
 1829
 April 19 Baptized, James, born March 16, 1828, & Caroline born Dec. 23, 1827, children of John and Agnes Young.

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- April 22 Buried, Rebecca Frazer, aged 47 years, youngest daughter of the late Rev. Wm. Frazer, of this Church.
- May 6 Buried, Clara Vanpelt, aged 12, coloured.
- May 7 Buried, Mrs. Lucy Jarvis, relict of the Right Rev. Ab'm. Jarvis, Bishop of the Diocese of Connecticut, in the 80th year of her age.
- May 27 Buried, Mr. John Bellerjeau, aged 73.
- 29 Buried, James Peter Hunt, aged 22, youngest son of the late Gen. Peter Hunt.
- June 18 Buried, Mrs. Young, of Yardeville.
- July 10 Buried Ann Mattison, a person of colour.
- July Married, Robert Henson to
- July 26 Married, on Mill Hill, William How to Minerva Gage.
- July 30 Buried, George Ryall, in the 88th year of his age.

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- July 31 Buried, in the yard of the Pr sbyterian Congregation, Mrs. Mary Mount, wife of Wm. Mount and widow of Wm. Humphreys.
- Aug. 9 Buried, Mrs. Mary Allison, widow of the late R. Allison, in the 51st year of her age.
- Sept. 19 Baptized, Anna Leontine, daughter of Hyacinthe Desire Laudy, and Margaretta Janit his wife, also at the same time, Southey Littleton, son of John Savage & Anna his wife, both of Lamberton.
- Dec. 14 Buried, Mr. Joseph Higbee, in the 68th year of his age, one of our most active & public spirited citizens.
- 1830.
- Jan. 1 Baptized, by the Rev'd. David Moore, of Staten Island, Henry Whitlock, second son of Rev'd. W. L. Johnson, also by the same, George & Henry, children of Mr. Chas. Higbee & Charlotte his wife.
- Jan. 18 Buried, Ephraim, infant child of John & Julia Ryno.
- Jan. 19 Buried, Anna, eldest daughter of Henry Waddell, of Morrisville, Pa.
- Feb. 11 Married at Bloomsbury, Thos. Boxingdale to Hannah Lonsdale, both of England.
- Mar. 2 Baptized, on Mill Hill, Elizabeth, aged 7 years, daughter of Wm. Gregg, at the same time, Margaret, daughter of Cornelius & Mary Raum.

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- Mar. 16 Buried, Mrs. Jane Hart, daughter of Arthur Corry, deceased.
- 22 Buried, Miss Sarah Vandergrift, aged 23 years.
- 26 Baptized, Sarah Elizabeth, the second daughter of Sam'l. & Rebecca Roberts. (Coloured)
- 28 This day my official connection with St. Michael's Church, Trenton, was dissolved.
- WM. L. JOHNSON.
- 28 Baptized, Fanny Milnor, daughter of the late J. K. Milnor of N.Y. at the same time, Wm. Henry, son of Wm. & Mary Hurley.
- W. L. J.
- 29 Baptized by Rev. W. L. Johnson, Lilly, daughter of Andrew Noble.

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April 9 Buried, Henry Clay, son of William and Frances M. Halsted, aged two years, 8 m. The Rev. Mr. Holdich of the Methodist Church attended and read the Burial Service.

JOHN MERSHON, *Cb. W. of Vestry.*

June 21 Buried, Miss Mary Dover, of Philadelphia, aged about 40 years. The Rev. Joseph Holdich of the Methodist Church attended and read the burial service of our Church. This was a young lady who died at the house of Mrs. E. Nottingham, and was teacher of Music in her Seminary.

JOHN MERSHON, *Cb. W. of Vestry.*

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Persons baptized by REV'D. DR. BEASLEY, after his acceptance of the charge of St. Michael's Church, Trenton, New Jersey

Marriages celebrated by F. BEASLEY, in St. Michael's Parish

Funerals attended by F. BEASLEY, in St. Michael's Parish

Official acts of the REV. SAMUEL STARR, who accepted the Rectorship of St. Michael's Church, Trenton, in October, and entered upon its duties, Dec. 4, 1836, being the second Sunday in Advent.

Funerals attended by F. BEASLEY

1830.

Aug. 13 In Philadelphia, baptized four children of John H. Powell, Esq., first named DeVeaux, second Baring, the third Robert Hare, & the fourth Elizabeth, for all of whom Edward S. Burd, Esq., of Philadelphia stood Godfather.

Sept. 10 Baptized, Mary Jane, daughter of Charles & Elizabeth Moore, now living in Philadelphia. Mrs. Moore & her sister Miss Corry, were Godmothers.

1831.

May 15 John Sunderland, son of Simon & Anna Martinet, born Aug. 20, 1831.

22 Maria Doneillion, child of William & Frances Kearne.

July 20 John, son of John R. & Hester Savage.

1832.

April 21 William, son of Mrs. Gillespie.

27 Sarah Ann, infant of John & Catharine Young.

22 Thomas, son of Nelson & Margaret Reynolds.

28 Berkman & Joseph Napoleon, sons of Edmund L. & Emma Dubarry.

July 5 Georgiana Evans, Hannah Anne & Catharine Matilda, daughters of John D. & Rhody Hester.

22 James Parker, infant son of James & Mary Carrus.

Sept. 2 Ann, infant daughter of James & Abelia Stanton.

1 Jane, daughter of John & Agnes Young.

Nov. 10 Lucien Charles, son of William & Mary Lance, of S. Carolina, born Sept. 2, 1832, sponsors, Prince Lucien Murat & William G. Ramsay.

1833.

Jan. 22 Emily, daughter of Col. Thomas & Maria Cadwalader.

June 13 Caroline Latitia, daughter of Prince Murat & his wife Caroline.

Aug. 11 Virginia S. daughter of James & Ann Murphy.

11 Thomas, son of John & Margaret Coulton, 4 mo. old.

Oct. 4 Margaret Ann, daughter of Charles & Elizabeth Moore.

Charlotte & Gertrude Maria, daughters of Cornelius & Mary Raum.

Joseph Smith, son of Simon & Anna Martinette, born March 6, 1832.

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- 27 Frances Ellen, daughter of William & Frances Kearnes, born July 4, 1833.
 Dec. 18 John, son of Peter & Elizabeth Ringlear, one year old.
 Catharine, daughter of Jacob & E. Fell, 7 weeks old.
1834.
 Jan. 1 Hester, daughter of John R. & Hester Savage, an infant.
 May 8 Hannah, daughter of Thomas & Ann Brown, from Ireland.
 July 5 Catharine, daughter of Peter & Elizabeth Ringlear, an infant.
 Sept. 4 Margaretta Sherman, infant of Joseph & Sarah Potts, Mary Ruth, aged
 25 years, Catharine Ann & Sarah H., daughters of Ramsay, of Trenton,
 & Charles & William Ruth, one 2 years old & the other 18 months.
- Sept. 6 John O'Harra, son of Joseph & Mary O'Harra, 2 years old.
 Oct. 19 James B., son of Benjamin & Jane Parlour, 10 days old.
1835.
 Jan. 25 David Abderson.
 July 5 Hercules Roberts, son of Thomas R. & Elizabeth Williams, born March
 1835.
 Nov. 7 Flora, daughter of Peter & Betsy Ringly, George, son of Jacob & Eve
 Fell, & Mary, daughter of Rodolf & Christine Smidt.
 Nov. 18 Philemon, child of Philemon & Margaret C. Dickinson.
1836.
 April 15 Jane, infant daughter of Brice & Marian Caldwell.

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MARRIAGES CELEBRATED BY F. BEASLEY, IN ST. MICHAEL'S PARISH

- 1831 By Mr. Johnson, in my absence.
 July 3 Joseph O'Harra to Mary R. Abbey.
 Aug. 18 Prince Lucien Murat to Caroline Frazier.
 Nov. 2 Ezekiel Smith Haines to Charlotte Higbee.
 Dec. 28 Elias Joseph Marsh to Matilda Beasley.
1832.
 Feb. 24 James McVay to Essey White.
 April 27 John C. Stocker to Josephine Tessiers.
 May 17 William Pierson to Martha R. Taylor.
 Sept. 6 John Killgour to Elizabeth Higbee.
1833.
 May 14 Benjamin Williamson to Elizabeth S. Beasley, married for me by my son,
 Frederick H. Beasley.
 July 26 George Young to Eve Forman.
 Aug. 10 James Kenih to Elizabeth Shepard.
 Nov. 27 John Henry Felmier to May Vaun.
1834.
 May 1 Elias Hughs to Susan Brittin.
 Sept. 4 Solomon Thomas to Susan Tindale.
1835.
 June 4 Jacob Hibbs to Hannah Sison, Bucks Co., Pennsylvania.
 July 16 William W. Wright to Elizabeth Bowden.
1836.
 Feb. 22 Ferdinand Hey to Hannah Macguire.
 1836 On the second day of July, in the year of our Lord, one thousand eight
 hundred and thirty six, in the City of Trenton, State of New Jersey,

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North America, James Hunt, Esq. and Eliza Jane Tyrrell, late of the Island of Jamaica, were married by me in the presence of the subscribing witnesses.

C. WILLIAMS, D.D.

JOHN MARCH }
MARY MARCH } *Witnesses*

Contracting parties { JAMES HUNT
ELIZA JANE TYRRELL

Married by Dr. Beasley, September 13, 1832,
John Houston McIntosh to Mary Randolph Higbee.

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FUNERALS ATTENDED BY F. BEASLEY, IN ST. MICHAEL'S PARISH

- 1831
Sept. 1 Ann Tibolts.
Nov. Mrs. Frazer.
Dec. 10 Dr. C. Frazer,
1832.
Jan. 3 Henry Smith Stafford.
Mrs. Armstrong.
July 1 Jacob L. Hester.
Aug. 27 Mrs. Brearly.
Nov. 11 Elizabeth Robinson.
1833.
Nov. 23 Margaret, daughter of John & Ann Rickey.
1834.
July 9 Rebecca, daughter of Benjamin & Maria Wright.
Sept. 1 Virginia, daughter of Joseph Higbee.
9 John, son of Joseph & Mary O'Harra.
Nov. Nancy Higbee.
1835.
April 19 William Moon.
Sept. 4 Mrs. Moon.
20 Mrs. Taylor.
Dec. 22 William Pierson, in the family Burial Ground, Township of Nottingham,
Burlington Co.
23 John B., son of Ogden D. Wilkinson.
1836.
April 10 Mrs. Pierson Hunt.
10 A child of Hester —————
After the resignation of the Rev. F. Beasley, D.D., and previous to the time the Rev. Mr. Starr entered on the duties of his office as Rector of the Church, the following interments were made:
1836.
Oct. 28 Charles Yard, a child of John D. and Rhoda Hester, aged
Nov. 9 James Minner, a native of Ireland. The Rev. Mr. Dandy, of the Methodist Church attended and read the service at the grave.
23 Josephine, a daughter of Joseph Wood, of Philadelphia. The Rev. Mr. Sudders, of Grace Church, Philadelphia, attended, performed the service in the Church and at the grave.

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- 27 Mary Hagerly.
Dec. 5 Mary Howell, wife of Jacob C. Howell. The Rev. Mr. Dandy attended.
8 Martin Moon.
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OFFICIAL ACTS OF THE REV. SAMUEL STARR, WHO ACCEPTED
THE RECTORSHIP OF ST. MICHAEL'S CHURCH, TRENTON, IN
OCTOBER, AND ENTERED UPON ITS DUTIES, DEC. 4, 1836,
BEING THE SECOND SUNDAY IN ADVENT.

1837.
Jan. 6 Baptized, by the Rt. Rev. Bishop Doane,
Sarah Peace Starr & } Mrs. Joseph Higbee, Mrs. Mershon.
Sarah Howell Ryall } Witnesses.
Jan. 26 Married, George Heidwiler
to
Elizabeth Kachback
&
John Zehner
to
Magdalin Kachback.
Feb. 5 Buried, Mrs. Esther Musgrove.
Mar. 26 Buried, Mrs. Jane Tyrrell, wife of Mr. Joseph Tyrrell, late from Jamaica,
Easterday W. I.
Easterday Admitted to the Communion. Miss Lucy Ann Higbee, Mr. Samuel C.
Scattergood, Sarah Howell Ryall, Sarah Peace Starr & Robert Thomas,
(coloured).
April 14 Baptized, Mary Ann, a child of Ann Bryan, (coloured).
May 3 Admitted to Communion, in the sick room of Mr. John March, John
March, Mrs. March & Mrs. Husband.
May 7 Buried, Mr. John March, late from the Island of Jamaica.
Sund. after
Ascension.
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- May 11 Married, John Wesley Primer to Emily Ryall.
May 14 Baptized, Katrine Elizabeth, child of Wm. Bahr.
Whit. Sunday.
May 21 Baptized, Robert, son of Robert Thomas, (Coloured.)
Trinity.
May 23 Baptized, Adam, infant child of Adam Stultz.
July 2 Admitted to the Communion. John W. Rimer, Mrs. Emily Rimer, Wm.
Bahr & Mrs. Bahr.
July 2 Buried, an infant child of Mrs. Margaret Moon.
July 2 Baptized, William Edward Barker, born March 8th, 1830, Sarah Louisa
Barker, born June 16, 1833 & Mary Elizabeth Barker, born March 14,
1837, children of Robert & Mrs. Barker.
July 17 Buried, Margaret Murphy, daughter of James & Mrs. Murphy, aged
about 20.
July 17 Baptized, William Henry, infant son of Mr. & Mrs. Littell, (residing in
Bristol).

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- July 22 Buried, William Bahr, (a German).
 Aug. 23 Buried, Mrs. Louisa Woodruff, wife of Patrick Houston Woodruff, (resident of Savannah), also Robert Barker, and Thomas C. Husband (late of Jamaica, W.I.)

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- Aug. 27 Baptized, Henry Clay, child of William & Mrs. Halsted.
 Sept. 16 Buried, Mary Dickinson, infant child of Westley P. & Mrs. Hunt.
 Sept. 17 Baptized, Margaret Meredith, child of John Dickinson, & Emily Gouverneur, infant daughter of Philemon & Margaret Dickinson.
 Sept. 22 Baptized, Susan McCulloch, her sister Mrs. Kerwood, witness.
 Sept. 22 Confirmed, by the Rt. Rev. Bp. Doane.
 Mrs. Mary McCall, Mrs. Sarah Johnson,
 Catharine Johnson, Mrs. Elizabeth Slack,
 Euphemia Potts, Anne Higbee, Caroline
 Higbee, Sarah H. Ryall, John Porter,
 Margaret Minnis, Rebecca Minnis, William
 Minnis, Mrs. Ada Ann Husband, Mrs. Caroline
 March, Mary Jane March, Mary Murphy,
 George Husband, Mrs. Mary Kerwood, Susan
 McCulloch, Sarah Brittain, Samuel C.
 Scattergood, Charlotte Henson, Elizabeth
 O'Hara. (23)
 Sept. 26 Baptized, Charlotte Burton Moore, infant child of Charles & Elizabeth Moore (now residing in Philadelphia).
 Oct. 5 Buried, William, youngest child of Samuel S. Stryker.
 Oct. 8 Baptized, Ann Mary, child of Dr. Waring, (of Savannah.)
 Oct. 15 Baptized, Catharine O'Hara & Joseph O'Hara, infant children of Joseph & Mary R. O'Hara, and Dudley Livingston & Mary Elizabeth Ruth, infant children of William & Mrs. Ruth, late of New York & about to remove to St. Louis, Missouri.

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- Nov. 5 Admitted to Communion. Mrs. Wm. Kerwood, Susan McCulloch, Mrs. Barker, Sarah Brittain, John Porter & Margaret Minnis. (6)
 Nov. 19 Baptized, Eliza Ann, youngest child of Philip & Elizabeth Slack.
 1838.
 Jan. 28 Baptized, Anna Maria Thompson, infant daughter of Caldwell.
 Mar. 30 Buried, Mrs. Mary Raum.
 April 10 Baptized by Bishop Doane, William Cole, son of Samuel & Sarah P. Starr, who was born December 4th, 1837, Loisa Bedford, daughter of Wm. & Loisa Pearson, aged about 6 months, Ann Jackson, born July 11, 1831, Mary Whitaker, born April 13, 1833, Rebecca Tindale, born July 11, 1834 & Ellen Rostron, born Aug. 9, 1836, the four children of William & Ellen Currey, Frederick Redinger Wilkinson, son of Ogden D. & Mrs. Wilkinson, aged 9 months, & Rebecca Browning, daughter of Joshua & Mrs. Holinshead, aged 8 months. (8)
 May 20 Baptized, Emma Wescott, daughter of James D. & Mrs. Wescott. Witnesses—Mr. & Mrs. Wescott, Mr. Mershon & Mrs. Starr.
 Convention of the Diocese at Newark, May 30th.

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- June 10 Buried, Mary Jane, infant daughter of Lewis Neal, & granddaughter of Dr. & Mrs. Geary, of Flemington, aged 11 months.
 July 8 Baptized, Charlotte Jane, daughter of John & Ann Porter, born Dec. 4, 1837.
 July 13 Buried Henry, infant child of Michael O'Hara, of Princeton.
 July 21 Buried, Loisa Bedford, infant daughter of Wm. & Loisa Pearson.
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- Aug. 20 Buried, James B. Stafford, aged near 90.
 Aug. 25 Baptized, Michael, a sick child of Daniel Fell, late from Germany.
 Sept. 9 Baptized, Henry, infant son of George & Elizabeth Heidwiler.
 Nov. 2 Buried, Mrs. Elizabeth, widow of the late Joseph Higbee, Esq., aged 65.
 Nov. 21 Married, John Lamar Hay to Cornelia Lawrence, daughter of Dr. William Geary, of Flemington.
 Sept. 23 Married, Henry Vanhorn to Elizabeth Martindale, both of Bucks County, Pennsylvania.
 Nov. 27 Married, George Green to Margaret Hilliards & Edward Marcellus to Elizabeth Hagarman. (All coloured).
 Nov. 29 Married, Dr. John Weidman, of Lebanon, Pennsylvania, to Emma Roberts Grant, daughter of Wm. Grant, Esq.
 Dec. 20 Married, Daniel Wertz of Tomansing, Pa., to Sarah Slack, of Yardleyville, Pa.
 1839.
 Mar. 22 Baptized, Sarah Frances & Bayard, infant children of & Jane Butler.
 Mar. 31 Baptized, Maria Antoinette Yard. Witnesses, Mr. Mershon, Mrs. Starr & Frances Yard.
 April 7 Baptized, Sarah Amelia, infant daughter of Dr. John & Mary Hampson Pine, late from Jamaica.
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- April 7 Confirmed by Bishop Doane, Emma Wescott, Virginia Higbee, Maria Antoinette Yard, Frances Yard, Mrs. Cornelia Hay, John Wesley Primer, Sarah Peace Starr, Elizabeth Minnis, Robert Thomas, Thomas. (10)
 April 24 Married, John R. Dill to Mary Jane, daughter of James Hay, Esq.
 May 9 Buried, Capt. Edward Yard, funeral at Lawrenceville, aged 78.
 May 26 Baptized, Birchel Lopers, James Mann & Isaac Cromwell, convicts in the New Jersey State Prison.
 Buried, Mrs. Parmelia Wood, wife of Mr. Joseph Wood.
 May 28 Buried, William Fell Boling, son of John & Mrs. Boling. Convention at Burlington, May 29.
 June 6 Married, John L. Taylor, M.D. to Lydia Barnes, daughter of Mr. Isaac Barnes.
 June 12 Married, Jonathan Steward to Keturah Temple Evans, daughter of Evan Evans, Esq.
 July 2 Baptized, in the U.S. Encampment, John, child of Hezekiah & Mrs. Doyle, aged 2 years.
 July 3 Buried, from the same place, John, son of Hezekiah & Mrs. Doyle.
 July 31 Married in Woodbury, Doct. Edward J. Grant, of Nottingham, of St. Michael's congregation, to Miss Mary W. Roe, of the former place.
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- Sept. 29 Married, Mr. John C. Husennetter to Sophia Srader, all of Trenton.
Buried, Mr. Philip Slack.
- Oct. 26 Married, Mr. Jacob Davis to Miss Susan Erving, all of Ewing Township.
- Nov. 10 Married, Mr. Peter Thatcher Mather, of Portsmouth, New Hampshire,
to Miss Sarah Ann Lloyd, of Bloomsbury, N.J.
- Nov. 30 Married, Mr. Robert Crosley to Miss Margaret Huggins.
- Dec. 11 Buried, at Allentown, Mr. Samuel C. Newell.
- Dec. 19 Baptized, Jeremiah Clark, a convict in the State Prison.
- Dec. 31 Married, Mr. John Covert to Miss Mary Ann Fleming, all of Trenton.
- Dec. 31 Married, Joseph Simmons to Hannah Nafuz. (coloured)
- 1840.
- Jan. 9 Married Matthew Campbell to Hannah Clark. (Coloured).
- Jan. 20 Baptized, Mrs. Arnell. (Coloured).
- Feb. 3 Buried Mrs. Arnell. (Col.)
- Jan. 15 Married, Samuel Crozer to Martha Sterling, both of Falls Township,
Pennsylvania.

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- Feb. 9 Baptized, John, infant son of John & Magdaline Zehner, Elizabeth, infant
daughter of George & Elizabeth Heidwiler, and Sally, infant daughter
of Christian Fell.
- Mar. 1 Married, Perry Hutchins to Ruth Ann Wycoff, (Col'd.) of Trenton.
- Mar. 2 Buried, Mrs. Smith, in the ground of the Baptist Society.
- Mar. 3 Buried, Mr. Charles Moore, the body brought from New York, where he
died.
- Mar. 8 Married, Thomas Reed to Rachel Miller, all of Trenton.
- Mar. 19 Married, Mr. Westley P. Morris to Miss Mary V. Bashford, all of
Trenton.
- Mar. 20 Married, Mr. James Martin to Mrs. Mary Ferguson, of South Trenton.
- April 13 Married, Henry Fill, of Philadelphia, to Frances Brown.
- April 15 Baptized, John J. Frisbee.
- April 17 Baptized, Ann Eliza, infant daughter of John & Ann Porter.
- April 19 Baptized, Ann Douglass, of South Trenton.
- Easterday.
- April 22 Baptized, Ann Rebecca, infant daughter of William & Mrs. Burling.
- April 26 Baptized, Oliver Creed.
- April 26 Confirmed by Bishop Doane.
- Evening. John J. Frisbee, Mrs. A. P. Atkinson,
 Oliver Creed, Ann Douglass,
 Fanny Milnor, David Taylor,
 Angelina Gordon, Jane McConley.

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- April 27 Married, Jessee Brown to Sabina Brown. (Col'd.)
- May 17 Baptized, Robert William, infant son of John Lamar & Mrs. C. L. Hay.
Convention at Newark, May 27.
- May 29 Baptized, Wilson, William Edgar & Loisa Wilson, children of Westley P.
& Mrs. Elizabeth Hunt.

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- June 14 Baptized, Susan Maria, infant daughter of Mr. L. R. Lafoucherie & Mrs. Lafoucherie, & John McDonald, infant son of Mr. William Pearson & Mrs. Pearson.
Baptized, at the same time by the Rev. Mr. Hare, Edward, infant son of the Rector Samuel Starr & Sarah P. Starr, aged 2 mo. & 25 days.
- Aug. 18 Baptized, Mrs. Deborah Cowell.
- Aug. 23 Buried, William Robinson, a revolutionary pensioner, interment in the Church burial ground, though the deceased not a member of the congregation.
- Sept. 6 Baptized, Hermin Lumbart, Rebecca Sterling & Frances Lupardus, children of Simon Martinet & Anna, his wife. (3)
- Sept. 27 Baptized, Emma Augusta, daughter of Mr. Mortimer Forman, niece of Miss Mary & Sydney Forman.
- Oct. 6 Married, Benedict Grethler to Sophia Jandon, both of Princeton.
- Nov. 5 Buried, Mrs. Deborah Cowell, wife of Mr. Joseph Cowell.
- Nov. 18 Married, Mr. William G. Cook to Mrs. Elizabeth Westcott, daughter of William Grant, Esq., of Nottingham.

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Dec. 5 The child of Mrs. Moon.
16 A son of Mr. Slack.
1831.
May 16 Mrs. Mary Corry, wife of Arthur Corry, deceased.
1840.
Nov. 25 Married, Richard Eberle, M.D., of Cincinnati, Ohio, to Miss Theodosia In St. Michael's W. Higbee, daughter of Charles Higbee, Esq.
Church.
1841.
Jan. 3 Baptized, Mary Trent, eldest daughter of Gen. Z. Rossell.
Feb. 13 Baptized, on his sick bed, Mr. Charles Higbee.
Feb. 19 Buried, Mr. Charles Higbee, in the 72nd year of his age.
Feb. 20 Married, Francis Guild, of Pennington, to Isabella Ricco.
Mar. 4 Buried, James D. Westcott, Esq., in the 66th year of his age, late Secretary of the State of New Jersey.
Mar. 11 Married, Mr. Charles Byles to Miss Elizabeth O'Hara.
April 22 Married, David Delias to Susan Johnson, (Col'd.)
Mar. 24 Buried, Mrs. Ann Ryall, from the house of her son-in-law, Mr. John Mershon.
May 1 Married, Mr. James Pettit to Miss Mary Murphy.
May 2 Married, Mr. Jacob B. Vansciver, of Burlington, to Miss Rachel Hankins, of this city.

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1841.
May 23 Baptized, Ellen Jerusha, infant daughter of Joshua & Mrs. Hollinshead, Henry Prall, Clara & Margaret Herbert, children of Mrs. Lydia Atkinson, Mary, infant daughter of Philemon & Mrs. Margaret Dickinson,

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Ann Meredith, infant daughter of Mr. Samuel & Mrs. Martha Dickinson, Clara Viola, infant daughter of E. R. & Mrs. Hansen, Emma Jane, infant daughter of William & Mrs. Jane Pearson, Loisa Johnson, infant daughter of Robert & Mrs. Margaret Crosley, Julia Ann, daughter of & Mrs. Hall. (10)

Convention at Burlington, May 26th, 1841.

- May 27 Buried, Susan E., daughter of William Hunt, of Lamberton, aged 2 years.
 June 9 Baptized, Moore Furman, Anna Clarke, James Clarke and Virginia Higbee, children of Lieut. William & Mrs. Susan Hunt, of Lamberton.
 June 10 Married, George Mullenex to Sarah Clayton.
 June 11 Buried, Anna Clarke, daughter of William & Susan Hunt.
 June 14 Married, Capt. Garret Hiers, of Middletown Point, to Miss Sarah Pitcher.
 June 24 Married, John A. Chew, of Philadelphia, to Charlotte Hansen, of South Trenton.
 June 30 Buried, Rebecca Browning, child of Joshua & Mrs. Abby Hollinshead, aged 3 yrs. 11 mo.
 July 4 Baptized, Thomas, infant son of Richard & Ann Johnson.

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- Aug. 22 Baptized, Elizabeth, infant daughter of Jacob & Mrs. Luther.
 Sept. 10 Buried, Jacob Hester, aged 70.
 Sept. 26 Baptized, Mrs. Caroline Higbee, wife of Doct. Charles Higbee, of Cincinnati, also George Howell, Charles & William Henry, children of Dr. Charles & Mrs. Caroline Higbee, also John, infant son of Dr. John & Mrs. Emma Weidman, of Lebanon, Penna.
 Oct. 20 Married, Mr. Lewis P. Higbee to Miss Mary Trent Rossell, daughter of Gen. Zachariah Rossell.
 Nov. 14 Baptized, Mrs. Axey Creed, widow of Oliver Creed.
 Nov. 14 Confirmed by Bishop Doane, Mrs. George L. Phillips, Mrs. Samuel Dickinson, Mrs. Doct. Higbee, Mrs. Lewis P. Higbee, Mrs. Elizabeth Hall, Mrs. Axey Creed, Elizabeth Colie & Joseph Murphy. (8)
 Dec. 9 Baptized, George Phillips, infant son of Robert & Lucretia Lambert.
 1842.
 Jan. 12 Married, Mr. Ralphe L. Warner to Miss Mary J. Dearth.
 Jan. 20 Buried, Sarah H. Slack, daughter of the late Philip Slack.
 Jan. 31 Buried, Emily B. Pauling, child of William Pauling.
 Mar. 3 Buried, Charles Cain, Sen., in his 64th year.
 Mar. 6 Buried, Mrs. Mary Bond, in the 88 year of her age.
 Mar. 10 Baptized, Eleanor, infant daughter of John & Ann Porter.

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- Mar. 12 Baptized, Robert Spencer, infant son of William Phillips & Mrs. Phillips.
 Mar. 16 Baptized, Alexander Cumming, infant son of Benj. & Mrs. Yard, Francis Rostein, infant son of F. R. Lafaucherie, & William Sherman, infant son of Eli & Mrs. Anna Morris.
 Mar. 30 Married, John Smith Jones to Clara Ann James. (Coloured)
 April 8 Buried, Anne Meredith, daughter of Samuel & Martha Dickinson, aged about 18 months.
 April 14 Baptized, Asa Wills.

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- April 18 Buried, Joseph Milnor Higbee, eldest son of the late Charles Higbee, recently from Quincy, Illinois.
 April 21 Baptized, Mrs. Hannah Frisbee.
 April 22 Baptized, John Mershon.
 April 24 Confirmed by Bishop Doane, Doct. Wm. Geary, Mrs. Westcott, Miss Hester Gibson, Mrs. Hannah Frisbee, Mr. Asa Wills, Mrs. Wills, Mary Hinds, Jane Johnson & A. M. VanNorden. (9)
 May 21 Buried, Robert William, son of John Lamar Hay.
 Convention in Newark, May 25.
 June 5 Baptized, Mary Jane, infant daughter of John & Mrs. Crosley.
 June 21 Baptized, John William, infant son of James & Mary Pettit.
 Buried, John William, infant son of James & Mary Pettit.
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- July 13 Married, Mercer F. Beasley, Esq., to Miss Frances Higbee, daughter of the late Charles Higbee.
 July 13 Married, William Crim to Mrs. Olivia Barney.
 July 14 Married, Reuben Kingbury to Mary Elizabeth Lawrence. (Coloured)
 July 20 Buried,, infant daughter of Edward D. & Mary Ann Weld.
 July 21 Buried, Thomas, infant son of Richard & Ann Johnson.
 July 22 Buried, Gen'l. Zachariah Rossell, aged 54.
 July 25 Baptized, Henry, infant son of Samuel & Mrs. Martha Dickinson.
 Aug. 15 Baptized, Catharine & George Daniel, children of Asa & Mrs. Wills.
 Aug. 17 Buried, Catharine, child of Asa & Mrs. Wills.
 Aug. 20 Buried, George Daniel, child of Asa & Mrs. Wills.
 Sept. 8 Married, William Hall to Jane Brewster, of Philadelphia. *Rec'd.*
 Sept. 10 Buried, Mrs. Jane Pearson, wife of Mr. William Pearson.
 Sept. 17 Married, Mrs. Catharine Dickens, of Philadelphia, wife of Mr. Fowler Dickens & mother of the late Mrs. Jane Pearson.
 Sept. 18 Buried, in the Methodist burial ground, South Trenton, Mrs. Anna Bulkley, wife of James Bulkley, late from England.
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- Sept. 19 Buried, in the Methodist ground, South Trenton, Sophia infant daughter of Mr. Thomas Whitehead.
 Nov. 2 Baptized, Robert Hansen, infant son of John A. Chew & Charlotte, his wife, of Philadelphia.
 Nov. 8 Married in St. Michael's Church, the Rev. Samuel L. Southard, Rector Elect of Christ Church, Belleville, to Virginia Eleanor, daughter of Mr. Joseph C. Higbee, of Coshocton County, Ohio.
 Dec. 18 Buried, Mr. John Mershon, Senior Warden, of St. Michael's Church, and for twenty-one years last past, Treasurer & Collector of the same.
 Dec. 21 Baptized, Florence, infant daughter of Doct. James B. Coleman & Mrs. Henrietta Coleman.
 Dec. 28 Baptized, Elizabeth Frisbee, daughter of John J. & Hannah Frisbee.
 Dec. 29 Married, Benjamin Wooley to Fanny Smith. (Coloured.)
 1843.
 Jan. 23 Married, Philip F. Slack, Esq., of Tuckerton, to Mary F., daughter of Mr. Richard Bond, of South Trenton.

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- Jan. 25 Baptized, Catharine Louisa, John DeForest, Theodore & Margaret, children of Jacob & Mrs. Gaddis.
 Feb. 3 Buried, Mary Susan, child of John B. Boling.
 Mar. 3 Buried, Miss Maria Henderson.
 Mar. 4 Buried, Charles Lawrence, eldest child of Doct. J. B. & Henrietta Coleman, aged 3 years.

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- Mar. 21 Buried, Mr. Thomas Cain, Sen., aged 66.
 Mar. 28 Married, Charles H. Burroughs, of Princeton to Mary L. Slack.
 April 15 Married, Jesse Paterson to Ellen Gray. (Coloured)
 April 30 Baptized, Mrs. Mary Hester, Mrs. Hannah Hester, Mrs. Margaret Witherup, Mrs. Mary Ann Weld, Mrs. Mary Aiken, Miss Sidney Paul Forman, Josiah Newell Bird and Thomas Cain. (8)
 May 1 Confirmed by Bishop Doane.
 Josiah N. Bird, Mrs. Mary Ann Weld,
 Mrs. Mary Hester, Miss Sidney Paul Forman,
 Alvan Sandford, Maria Westcott,
 Thomas Cain, Richard Johnson,
 Mrs. Margaret Witherup, Sarah Cain Ramsey,
 Mrs. Mary Aiken, Catharine Brittain,
 Mrs. Ruth Ann Pauling, Elizabeth Frisbee.
 May 6 Buried, Mrs. Mary Pettit, wife of James Pettit, & daughter of Mrs. Murphy.
 May 7 Baptized, George Smith, son of William & Esther Smith, Emma Virginia, child of Robert & Mary Aiken, William Geary, infant son of Lamar & Cornelia Hay, John & Joseph Rading, children of Samuel B. & Mrs. Scattergood, Mary Elizabeth & Ellen Frances, children of Edward D. & Mary Ann Weld, Clement Miller, infant son of Clement Miller & Jane Husband, Frances Rebecca & Susan, children of Josiah N. & Mrs. Bird, Elizabeth Pitcher, infant daughter of Rostein & Louisa Lafou-

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- cherie, Samuel Elkinson, infant son of Charles P. & Mrs. VanNorden and Mary Ann, child of Richard & Ann Johnson. (13)
- May 23 Married, John Allen to Elizabeth Hutchinson. (Col'd.)
 May 28 Baptized, Charlotte, Catharine Moliner & John Davidson, children of Anthony & Catharine Rowley, William Henry Clay, infant son of James & Nancy Murphy, Samuel Hatch, infant son John J. & Hannah Frisbee, Anna Mary, infant daughter of Isaac & Hannah Hester, Ann Elizabeth & Adelaine, children of Asa & Mary Ann Wills, & Mary Ida, daughter of J. F. & Catharine Klien. (9)
 Convention in Burlington, May 31.
 June 24 Baptized, Harriet Coburn and George Fox, infant son of Philemon & Mrs. Margaret Dickinson.
 Aug. 17 Married, Aaron Osborn to Lucretia Cole.
 Aug. 21 Married, John Dillon to Jane McConley.
 Aug. 24 Married, Charles T. Bessonett to Delilah Robinson, of South Trenton. *Rec'd.*
 Sept. 14 Buried, Edward McIlvaine, in the Burial ground in Ewing Township.

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- Oct. 29 Baptized, Elizabeth, infant daughter of the Rector, Samuel Starr & Sarah P. Starr, born Sept. 6, Mary Wray, infant of James W. Wall, Elizabeth Olden, infant of Murray McIlvaine, and Lucy Ann, infant of the Rev. Samuel L. Southard, of Belleville.
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1844.
Jan. 14 Buried Mrs. Mary D. Yard, wife of Benjamin Yard.
Jan. 15 Buried, Miss Theodosia P. Hunt.
Jan. 17 Buried, Henry, child of Samuel & Martha Dickinson, aged 20 months.
1844.
Jan. 18 Baptized, Mary Elizabeth, infant child of Robert & Mrs. Thomas.
Jan. 21 Buried, Emma Virginia, child of Mr. David Witherup, aged 6 years.
1843.
Dec. 6 Buried, Mr. John Titus, late Cashier of the Trenton Banking Company.
1844.
Jan. 23 Buried, May Elizabeth, infant of Robert Thomas.
Feb. 7 Buried, Miss Mary Pearson, aged 74 years.
Feb. 8 Married, Charles L. Pearson to Mary Priscilla, only daughter of George Woodruff, Esq.
Mar. 6 Married, Charles Brister to Elizabeth Nixon, (Coloured)
April 5 Baptized, Randall Rickey, Hannah Crickard and Phebe Green.
Good Friday
April 7 Baptized, George, infant son of John R. & Mrs. Mary Jane Dill, & William Alexander, child of David & Mrs. Margaret Witherup.
Easter-day
April 14 Baptized, Edward Davis Weld, witnesses, J. N. Bird & Thomas Cain.
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- April 14 Confirmed by Bishop Doane.
Mrs. Ann Johnson, Mrs. John Rickey, Edward D. Weld,
William Pearson, Randall Rickey, Raby,
James Murphy, Harriet Coburn, Hannah Crickard,
Hannah Steitson, Phebe Green. (11)
Convention at Newark, May 29.
June 7 Buried, Emma Augusta Forman, niece of Mary A. & Sydney Forman, aged 8 yrs.
June 9 Married, Charles Latan to Adaline Rouse.
June 17 Married, Eben F. Bacon to Mary W. Sandford.
June 20 Married, William P. Israel to Sarah Maccoun.
June 23 Baptized, Charles, infant son of Samuel & Mrs. Martha Dickinson, and Charlotte Higbee, infant daughter of Mercer & Mrs. Frances Beasley.
Sept. 1 Baptized, Rebecca Ely, Jane Benjamin, Henry Bellerjeau, Susan Coleman & Jacob Benjamin, children of Mrs. Axey Creed.
Sept. 8 Married, Samuel Budd to Ann Eliza Marcus.
Sept. 9 Married in Trinity Church, Princeton, Daniel Scotten, of Palmyra, N.J., to Elizabeth H. Perrine, of Princeton. (Recorded)
Sept. 15 Baptized, Margaret Ann, infant daughter of John & Hannah Jackson.
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- July 25 Buried in St. Mary's Church yard, Burlington, Sarah Peace Starr, wife of the Rector of St. Michael's Church, aged 34.
- Sept. 18 Married in South Trenton, John G. Sparrow to
- Sept. 21 Buried, Miss Jane V. Campbell, of Brooklyn, daughter of Colin Campbell, deceased, formerly of Burlington.
- Sept. 23 Married, in St. Michael's Church, Hiram P. Dunbar, of Rochester, N.Y., to Martha N. Bird.
- Oct. 3 Married, John Murphy to Harriet Brister.
- Oct. 6 Baptized, Mrs. Elizabeth Higbee Davis, at the same time by the Rev. Dr. Croswell, James Ashman, infant son of Eli Morris.
- Oct. 23 Married, John G. Stevens to Theodosia Wood, daughter of the late Joseph Higbee, Esq.
- Nov. 7 Baptized, Parnelia Frances, infant daughter of James M. & Mrs. Elizabeth H. Davis.
- Nov. 17 Baptized, Catharine Jane, infant daughter of Bernard & Mrs. Jane Smith.
- Dec. 23 Married, Joseph Rossell, of Freehold, to Elizabeth H., daughter of Lawrence Browning, of Chester Township, Gloucester Co., New Jersey.
- 1845.
- Jan. 16 Married, Charles Myers to Lena Mc.....

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- Jan. 26 Baptized, Laetitia Witherup Johnson.
- Baptized in the Fall of 1839, Mary Elizabeth, infant daughter of Joseph Guyer, and 1845, Feb. 9, David Charles, infant son of Joseph Guyer.
- April 17 Buried, Mrs. Margaret Smith.
- April 19 Married, James Anthony to Elizabeth Van Zandt.
- April 20 Baptized, Mrs. Sarah Wallace, wife of Thomas Hill & William James, infant son of Thomas & Mrs. Hill.
- April 25 Buried, William James, infant son of Thomas & Mrs. Sarah W. Hill.
- April 27 Confirmed by Bishop Doane. Mrs. L. A. Smith, Miss Barton, Miss Betts, Mrs. McCarrier James, Marvin Davis, Mrs. Elizabeth H. Davis, Mrs. Sarah W. Hill, Miss Letitia W. Johnson, William Gillespie & Adelaide Tyrrell.
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- July 9 Buried, Charles, son Mr. Samuel & Martha Dickinson, aged 22 months.
- July 15 Married, Mr. Gershon Hampton Coursen, of New York, to Caroline, youngest daughter of the late Charles Higbee, Esq.
- July 24 Buried, Adelaide, infant daughter of Mr. John Ramsay.
- July 31 Buried, Sarah Lloyd, infant daughter of Doct. J. L. Taylor, aged 17 months.
- Aug. 16 Married, John Robbins to Phillis Melden.

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- Aug. 17 Baptized, Edward Palfray, infant son of Edward D. & Mrs. Weld, Mercer, infant son of Mercer & Mrs. Frances Beasley, & Julia Murray, infant daughter of Murray & Mrs. McIlvaine.
- Sept. 7 Baptized, Courtlandt Yardley, witnesses, Capt. Bradley & John Read.
- Sept. 24 Baptized, Charles Lobdale, infant son of Charles L. & Mary Pearson.

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- Sept. 27 Baptized, Inis, infant daughter of Doct. James B. & Henrietta Coleman.
 Oct. 2 Married, Thomas Cain to Mrs. Elizabeth Johnson, daughter of James B. Green, of Ewing, in St. Michael's Church.
 Oct. 26 Baptized, John infant son of L. R. & Mrs. Louisa Lafoucherie, Ann Ryall, infant daughter of J. W. & Mrs. Emily Rimer and Olivia Gardener, niece of Mary A. Forman. (3)
 Nov. 2 Married, Wilson Crusen to Mary Brister.
 Nov. 24 Buried, Mr. John White, of South Trenton.
 Nov. 29 Baptized, Viola Slack, infant daughter of Charles H. Burroughs of Mrs. Mary Burroughs, of Princeton.
 Dec. 30 Married, George Anderson to Sarah Brister.
 1846.
 Jan. 25 Married, Abijah C. Berry to Mary Overton, both of Newark, in St. Michael's Church.

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- Mar. 6 Buried, James, child of Mrs. James Hunt, late of Jamaica, aged 6 years.
 Mar. 18 Baptized, John Edmund, Gertrude & Ann Eliza, children of Courtlandt Yardley, and Harriet Emily & Margaret Frances, children of Mr. Wm. W. Norcross. (5)
 Mar. 27 Baptized, Theodosia Hayden.
 April 5 Confirmed by Bishop Doane.
 Courtlandt Yardley, Mrs. Elizabeth Cain, Elias Hughs, Mary Cornell, Theodosia Hayden & Robert Hansen. (6).
 April 22 Married, John Johnson to Ann Slidell.
 April 23 Buried, Mrs. Crispin, aged 86.
 April 29 Married, Joseph B. Smith to Jane Jennings.
 May 8 Married, Charles Dennis to Catharine Maharlant.
 May 17 Baptized, Margaret Kallum, infant daughter of Marvin & Mrs. Elizabeth Davis.
 June 7 Baptized, Mary Dickinson, infant child of Samuel & Mrs. Martha Dickinson & Ann Mary, infant daughter of James W. & Mrs. Susan Wall.

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- June 10 Married, Joseph D. Corlies & Mary Betts.
 June 23 Married, William Pearson to Frances Mary Tyrrell.
 June 28 Buried, Louisa M., infant daughter of Francis J. & Horatio E. Betts, of Charleston.
 July 19 Married, George W. Scutchens to Abby Louisa Thompson. (Col'd.)
 July 26 Baptized, Sarah Annette, infant daughter of Thomas & Mrs. Sarah W. Hill.
 Aug. 2 Baptized, Josiah Newell, infant son of Hiram & Mrs. Martha Dunbar, & James, infant son of William Minnis.
 Aug. 4 Baptized, Joseph Potts.
 Aug. 9 Buried, Joseph Potts.
 Aug. 23 Buried, Mrs. Margaret C., wife of David Witherup.
 Aug. 24 Buried, Miss Eliza Waddell, only surviving daughter of a former Rector of St. Michael's Church.
 Sept. 5 Buried from Oakland, near Trenton, Mr. George Woodruff, the oldest

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communicant of St. Michael's Church, & the oldest member of the bar
in the State of New Jersey.

- Sept. 19 Buried, Mrs. Sarah Maccoun.
Sept. 24 Buried, Col. William Snowden.

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- Oct. 4 Married, John Holybee, of the U. S. Army, to Mary Lake Boyd.
Nov. 5 Married, William Breese to Emeline Scott.
1847.
Feb. 10 Married, Harrison Adams to Ann Eliza Hodenburg.
Feb. 23 Buried, Doct. James T. Clarke, died of Apoplexy.
Feb. 24 Baptized, Charlotte, infant daughter of Philemon & Mrs. Margaret
Dickinson. (sick).
Feb. 26 Baptized, Catharine Cecelia, infant daughter of John F. & Mrs. Catharine
Klein. (sick)
Feb. 28 Buried by Rev. Mr. Otis, Catharine Cecelia, infant daughter of John F.
& Catharine Klein.
Mar. 30 Married, William Clark to Margaret Gough.
May 2 Baptized, Mary Jane, infant daughter of Stafford, South Trenton.
May 3 Buried, Mrs. Mary Jane Dill, wife of John R. Dill.
May 9 Baptized, William Gibson, infant son of Capt. Samuel & Mrs. Martha
Dickinson.
May 12 Baptized, Mary Fenton, daughter of David Witherup.
May 13 Confirmed by Bh. Doane, John Owen & Mary F. Witherup.
May 23 Baptized, John Alexander, infant son of George & Letitia Nixon, of
South Trenton.

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- May 26 Baptized, Stacy Atkinson Paxson.
May 26 Convention in Burlington.
May 29 Buried, Stacy A. Paxson, Treasurer of the State of New Jersey, & Treas-
urer & Vestryman of St. Michael's Church.
June 6 Baptized, Leison Evander, infant son of George Callen.
June 11 Buried, William B., infant son of Joseph D. & Mary Corlies.
July 1 Married, Samuel D. Southard to Anna Louisa Hewitt, of South Trenton.
July 1 Buried, Doct. William Geary, aged 74, son-in-law of the Rev. Mr. Fraser,
fifty years ago, Rector of St. Michael's Church.
July 11 Buried, Mrs. Mary F. Willets, wife of George S. Willets, and daughter of
David Witherup.
July 17 Married, David F. Taylor to Margaret Ann Van Zandt.
Sept. 23 Buried, George L. Phillips, of Philadelphia, but recently resident of
Trenton.
Oct. 17 Buried, Mrs. Mary Benjamin, widow of Joseph Benjamin, & mother of
Wm. A. Benjamin.
Oct. 17 Baptized, Henry Waldburg, infant son of Doct. J. B. & Mrs. Coleman,
George Tyrrell, infant son of Wm. Pearson & Thomas Curtis, infant
son of Thomas Cain. (3)

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- Oct. 31 Married, Joseph Evans to Ann Wiley.
 Nov. 20 Married, Alfred Starr to Elizabeth Watson. (Col'd.)
 Dec. 5 Married, James Haslett, of South Trenton, to Mary Hinds.
 Dec. 25 Married, William Callis to Jane North, of South Trenton.
 Dec. 10 Married, Thomas Kenney to Rosanna Clark, also Benjamin Ryder to Mary Heath.
 Dec. 29 Buried, Jacob, son of Mrs. Ashcah Creed, aged 7 years.
 1848.
 Mar. 25 Buried, Mrs. Mary Cadwalader, widow of Co. Lambert Cadwalader, & mother of Gen'l. Thomas Cadwalader, in the 84th year of her age.
 Mar. 25 Buried, Mrs. Susan Brittain, in the 81st year of her age.
 April 1 Buried, Mr. Burge, a native of England, for a year a resident in Trenton.
 April 5 Baptized, Theodosia Eberle, infant daughter of J. M. & Mrs. Elizabeth Davis, Mary Willets & Franklin Vancleve, children of Mrs. S. A. Paxson, Henrietta & William, children of Robert Thomas.
 Baptized, at the same time by the Rev. Mr. Paterson, of Princeton, Mary, infant daughter of the Rector & his wife Mary M. Starr.

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- April 7 Buried, Mrs. Lydia Rossell, widow of the late Gen'l. Z. Rossell.
 April 14 Baptized, Anna Rossell.
 April 15 Confirmed by Bishop Doane.
 Anna Rossell, Emily Potts, Mary Maccoun, Augusta Stevenson, Margaret Meredith Dickinson & Frances Halsted. (6)
 April 19 Buried Thomas Chandler from South Trenton.
 April 20 Buried, Mrs. Susan Hunt, wife of Lieut. Wm. E. Hunt & daughter of the late Doct. Clarke.
 April 27 Buried, Mrs. Jean Woodruff, widow of the late George Woodruff, aged 72.
 April 28 Buried, Thomas B. Hewlings, in St. Mary's Church yard, Burlington, aged 30.
 May 14 Baptized, Anna E. daughter of R. F. & Mrs. Louisa Lafoucherie, aged 1 yr. & 9 months.
 May 19 Buried, Anna E., child of R. F. & Mrs. Lafoucherie.

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- May 19 Baptized, Virginia Higbee, infant daughter of John G. & Mrs. Theodosia W. Stevens, & Henry Clay & Julia, children of Jacob B. & Mrs. Gaddis.
 (3)
 Convention in Newark, May 31.
 June 25 Baptized, Sylvester & Helen Mar, children of Mrs. Thomas Chandler. (2)
 July 2 Baptized, Charles Higbee, infant son of Mr. G. H. & Mrs. Caroline Coursen, of New York.
 July 4 Baptized, Justina, infant daughter of Alfred S. & Mrs. Livingston.
 July 5 Buried, Mrs. West, wife of John West, of South Trenton, late from England.
 July 6 Buried Justina, child of A. S. Livingston.
 July 17 Baptized, George Corbyn, a convict in the N. Jersey State Prison.
 Aug. 25 Baptized, Mary & Josephine, infant children of Charles & Lena Myers.

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- Aug. 31 Buried, Sarah Ann, child of Abram Acre, of South Trenton, aged 4 years.
 Sept. 4 Baptized, William Edgar & Awbleesue, infant children of Capt. Wm. E. Hunt.
 Sept. 6 Buried, Awbleesue, infant child of Capt. Wm. E. Hunt, aged 4 months.
 Sept. 12 Buried, Henry Clay, child of Jacob B. & Mrs. Gaddis, aged four years.
 Oct. 4 Married, John D. Norcross to Elizabeth L. Bunting, daughter of Jacob P. Bunting of New York.

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- Oct. 10 Married, Col. John H. McIntosh, of Mandarin, Florida, to Charlotte N. Higbee, daughter of the late Joseph Higbee.
 Nov. 23 Buried, Mrs. Elizabeth Slack.
 1849.
 Jan. 1 Married Radcliff Whitehead to Mary Ann Vernon.
 Jan. 19 Buried, Mrs. Jane Geary, widow of Doct. Wm. Geary, & daughter of the Rev. Mr. Fraser, many years since a Rector of St. Michael's Church.
 Jan. 29 Baptized, Julia Adelaide, infant daughter of Alfred S. & Mrs. Livingston.
 Feb. 1 Baptized, Emma Matilda, child of John Clark, aged 4 years.
 Feb. 3 Buried, Louis Alfred Chevrier, son of Louis Chevrier, aged 11 years.
 Feb. 4 Buried, Emma Matilda, child of John Clark.
 Feb. 12 Married, John Howell Pratt, of Philadelphia, to Charlotte Franklin Wheeler, daughter of S. G. Wheeler.
 Feb. 21 Baptized, George Woodruff, infant child of Charles L. & Mrs. Mary Pearson.
 Feb. 26 Buried, Edward, child of Rudolph & Mrs. Eliza Prussen, aged 3 years.
 Mar. 23 Baptized, Mary Jane, infant daughter of George & Margaret Cochran, of So. Trenton.

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- April 29 Married, Joseph W. Andrews to Mrs. Eliza Hutchinson.
 May 25 Baptized, Lewis Edward, infant child of L. Rostein & Mrs. Louisa Lafoucherie, aged 13 mon.
 May 27 Buried, Lewis Edward Lafoucherie.
 May 29 Baptized, Thomas, infant child of George & Angelina Fox.
 May 18 Buried, Mrs. Mary Hester relict of Jacob Hester.
 Convention at Burlington, May 30th.
 June 17 Baptized, James Green, infant son of Thomas & Mrs. Cain.
 June 24 Baptized, Marion Trent & Clifford Beaks, infant children of Major N. B. Rossell, Josephine Augusta & Charles William Hebburn, infant children of Isaac Hester, and William Frederick, child of John F. Klein. (5)
 July 3 Married, John McMullen to Martha Manderville.
 July 5 Baptized, Thomas Myers, a convict in the State Prison.

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- July 5 Baptized, Charlotte Blanch, infant child of Mr. Thomas & Mrs. Hill.
 July 12 Married, Reading B. Jones and Caroline Reed.
 July 25 Married, Doct. J. Howard Ingham to Elizabeth A. Verree, both of Philadelphia County, Penna.

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- July 27 Buried, Julia Adelaide, infant child of Alfred & Mrs. Livingston, aged 6 months.
 July 31 Buried, Nicholas B. Clarke, son of the last Doct. J. T. Clarke.
 Aug. 1 Buried, Samuel E., child of Henry Pauck, aged 2 years.
 Aug. 5 Buried, Thomas Myers.
 Aug. 12 Buried, Wm. Heath, adopted child of Radcliffe & Mary Ann Whitehead, 3 yrs.
 Aug. 13 Buried, Clarence S., infant child of Wm. Henry & Olive S. Ladd.

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- Aug. 16 Buried, Charles O'Hara.
 Sept. 6 Buried, Mary Maccoun.
 Sept. 27 Married in St. Michael's Church, Joseph Murphy to Mary Ann Holmes.
 Oct. 4 Buried, Sarah Virginia Hutchinson, child of Mrs. J. W. Andrews, aged 17 months.
 Oct. 17 Buried, Mrs. Clemintina Witherup, wife of Abram Witherup, of New York.
 Oct. 20 Buried, Mrs. Amy Harris Westcott, widow of the late James D. Westcott.
 Nov. 22 Baptized, Wharton, infant child of Samuel & Mrs. Martha Dickinson.
 Dec. 16 Baptized, Margaret Ann, infant daughter of James & Mary Reilly.
 1850.
 Jan. 2 Baptized, Georgiana, infant daughter of William Waln.
 Feb. 12 Married in Trinity Church, New York, by the Rector of St. Michael's, Doct. Samuel Lilly, of Lambertville, to Mrs. Mary Ellen Torbert, of New Hope, Pa.
 Mar. 11 Buried, Mrs. Hannah Muirhead.
 Mar. 20 Baptized, Charlotte Higbee, infant daughter of Gershom H. Coursen & Mrs. Caroline Coursen, of New York.
 April 7 Baptized, Samuel Phillips Parham, adult, and Martha, his child, aged 20 months, also Anna Morgan, infant daughter of Major N. B. Rossell & Joseph Dana, infant son of Edward D. Weld. (1 adult, 3 children)

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- April 11 Married, Benjamin Myers to Mary Miller.
 April 19 Baptized, Ann Eliza Godley, Mary Witherup & Clementina Witherup, Miss M. A. Forman & Mrs. Starr, witnesses.
 April 20 Confirmed by Bishop Doane, Samuel P. Parham, Mrs. Mary Parham, Ann Eliza Godley, Mary Witherup, Clemintina Witherup, Azariah Disbrow & Mrs. Susan Disbrow. (7)
 May 2 Baptized, Henry Lark Wood, convict in the Penitentiary.
 May 5 Baptized, Catharine Maria, infant daughter of John G. & Mrs. Theodosia W. Stevens.
 May 12 Baptized, George Henry, Edward Bullock, Emma Beatty & William Evans, children of Azariah & Mrs. Susan Disbrow. (4)
 Convention at Newark, May 29.
 June 3 Baptized, Simon Johnson, a prisoner.
 June 8 Buried, Mrs. Mary Kerwood, wife of Wm. Kerwood.
 June 23 Baptized, Lillian, infant daughter of Hiram Dunbar and Ella Dunbar & Mary Amelia, children of Mr. William Bradley, of Philadelphia.
 July 15 Married, Richard Payd to Betsey Smith.

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- July 18 Baptized, Caroline, infant daughter of James T. Sherman, and Morton Redmond, infant son of Dr. James B. Coleman.
- July 19 Buried, Mrs. Rebecca Cain, widow of Charles Cain.
- Aug. 4 Baptized, William Cass, infant son of William Minnis.
- Aug. 7 Buried, Joseph McCarrier, (in Princeton).
- Aug. 28 Buried, William Evans, child of Azariah Disbrow, aged 1 year & 10 months.
- Aug. 30 Baptized, Jeremiah Fisher, a convict in the State Prison.
- Sept. 10 Buried, Mrs. Catharine Thompson, recently from Catskill, N. York.
- Oct. 3 Married, Nelson Beans, of New Hope, Penna., to Mary F. Kohl, of Lambertsville.
- Oct. 6 Baptized, Loisa Hunt, infant child of William & Mrs. Fanny Pearson.
- Oct. 14 Buried, Margaret, child of John Early, aged 6 years.
- Nov. 9 Married, Henry Smith to Lydia Ann Augustus.
- Nov. 10 Baptized, Richard Thompson, infant son of the Rector, Samuel Starr & of Mary, his wife.
- Nov. 11 Buried, Edward Palfray, child of Edward D. Weld, aged 5 years.
- Dec. 29 Married, Francis Jarkins to Rosetta Lard.
- 1851.
- Jan. 25 Baptized, Joseph Holmes, infant son of Joseph & Mary Ann Murphy.

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- Feb. 1 Buried, Eleanor Amelia Davis, sister of J. M. Davis, aged 15.
- Feb. 4 Buried, Joseph Holmes, infant son of Joseph & Mary Ann Murphy.
- Feb. 17 Baptized, in State Prison, Loisa, infant child of Joshua & Ann Howard.
- Feb. 19 Married, at the house of the Hon. Samuel D. Ingham, Harry M. Morris, of Morrissania, Westchester County, New York, to Georgia A., daughter of the late Richard G. Edwards, of the U. S. Navy, of Lexington, Kentucky.
- Feb. 22 Buried, Martha Ann, child of Joseph & Sarah Ratcliff, aged two years.
- Mar. 13 Married in Christ Church, Allentown, James Murphy to Emily A. Rodgers.
- Mar. 27 Baptized, Emma, infant daughter of Samuel P. & Mary Parham.
- April 18 Baptized, Louisa, infant daughter of F. Rostein & Mrs. Louisa La-Good Friday. foucherie.
- April 21 Baptized, Francis Bowes, infant son of John G. & Mrs. Theodosia Easter Stevens.
- Monday.
- April 21 Baptized, George Mason.
- April 22 Baptized, John Barber.
- April 29 Baptized, William Trent, infant child of Doct. William Henry Rossell, of Alabama, aged 18 months.

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- May 1 Baptized, Alfred Hutchinson & Thomas McDaniel, convicts.
- May 2 Buried, F. Rostein Lafoucherie, in the 36th year of his age.
- May 24 Buried, Charles T. son of Albert G. & Marion E. Enos, of West Philadelphia, aged 2 years & 3 mos.
- May 27 Baptized, John Hill, convict.

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- May 28 Convention in Burlington.
 June 17 Buried, Mrs. Charlotte Higbee, widow of the late Charles Higbee, aged 66.
 July 7 Buried, Alexander Witherup, aged 85.
 July 11 Buried, Hugh Hamilton, aged 86.
 July 16 Baptized, James Duckett, infant son of Joseph & Ann Guire.
 July 20 Buried, Francis Bowes, infant son of John G. & Mrs. Theodosia W. Stevens, aged 9 months.
 July 22 Buried, Mrs. Maria Snowden, relict of the late Wm. Snowden.
 July 22 Buried, William Henry, child of William Ratcliff, aged 3 years.
 July 23 Baptized, John Jacob, child of John Jacob Cuhr, aged 18 months.
 Aug. 4 Baptized, Joseph Fenton.
 Aug. 7 Married, Charles R. Jones to Mary Josephine Martin, both of Philadelphia.

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- Aug. 7 Buried, John Jacob, child of John Jacob Cuhr, 18 months.
 Aug. 9 Buried, Thomas, infant child of James & Mrs. Elizabeth Yates, aged 11 months.
 Sept. 4 Buried, James Duckett, infant child of Joseph & Ann Guire.
 Sept. 13 Buried, Mrs. Justina Livingston, wife of Alfred S. Livingston, aged 35.
 Sept. 17 Married, Peter Wilson to Lydia Johnson, both of Taylorsville, Penna.
 Sept. 21 Baptized, John James, infant son of Jane Roney.
 Sept. 25 Buried, John H. Potts. The body brought on from New York to be buried with his family.
 Oct. 1 Baptized, Joseph Potts, infant child of Samuel C. & Emily Kerr.
 Oct. 1 Married, John Simons to Massay Van Harler.
 Oct. 2 Married, Robert Gilbert to Catharine Clayton.
 Oct. 31 Baptized, Parmelia, infant daughter of Benjamin & Mrs. Mary Myers.
 Dec. 2 Married, John J. Halsted to Frances L. Smith.
 Dec. 24 Buried, Charles Ramsay, aged 75.
 Dec. 25 Married, Moses Young to Elizabeth Riley.
 1852.
 Jan. 17 Married, William Mortimore to Leah H. Jenkinson, of Newtown, Pa.

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- Feb. 24 Married, Horace Ely, of Lambertsville, to Clara Atkinson.
 Mar. 3 Married, Garret Schenk to Hannah E. Bird.
 Mar. 5 Baptized, Henry Martyn, infant son of Joseph & Mrs. Mary Murphy.
 Mar. 9 Buried, Joseph Murphy, aged 29 years.
 Mar. 14 Buried, Miss Susan McCulloch, sister of Mrs. Wm. Kerwood, deceased.
 Mar. 18 Buried, Emily, daughter of Mr. C. C. Haven.
 Mar. 21 Baptized, William, infant child of John & Letitia McCoy, aged 18 months.
 May 5 Buried, Henry Martyn, infant child of Joseph Murphy, deceased.
 May 8 Married, John Bambridge to Sarah Williamson.
 Convention at Newark, May 26.
 June 13 Baptized, Evelyn Dunbar, infant child of William Bradley, of Philadelphia.

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- June 14 Married, George Dunbar to Lydia Corlies.
 June 17 Married, Richard R. Paulison to Elizabeth H. Pitcher.
 July 20 Buried, Col. Samuel Dickinson.
 July 13 Buried,, infant daughter of Col. Samuel & Mrs. Martha Dickinson.

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- Aug. 8 Baptized, Matilda Fanny, infant daughter of William & Mrs. Fanny Pearson.
 Aug. 15 Baptized, Edward Cory, infant son of Edward D. & Mrs. Weld, Joseph James, infant son of Joseph & Mrs. Emily A. Murphy, & Catharine Ann, Alexander Hughs & John James, children of John & Mrs. Clark.
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 Aug. 29 Baptized, by the Rev. Dr. Hare, of Philadelphia, Thomas Brownell, infant son of the Rector, the Rev. Samuel Starr & Mary M., his wife.
 Oct. 3 Baptized, Maria, infant daughter of James & Jane Ferrell.
 Nov. 14 Baptized, George Augustus King, Mr. & Mrs. Danser, witnesses.
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 Jan. 7 Baptized, Lela Slack, Milton Campbell & Rainbridge Slack, children of George & Mrs. Mary Burroughs.
 Jan. 23 Baptized, Jesse Marshall Clark & Margaret Marshall Clark, witnesses, Mrs. & Miss Hewlings.
 Jan. 24 Buried, Rainbridge Slack, infant child of George & Mary L. Burroughs.
 Feb. 14 Married, Jesse M. Clark to Christiana H. Hewlings.
 Mar. 15 Buried, Mrs. Mary L. Burroughs, daughter of the late Philip Slack.
 Mar. 24 Married, George Adelman, of Bristol, Pa., to Eliza Churchwood.
 May 2 Buried, Lucy Ann Higbee, daughter of Joseph Higbee, deceased.
 May 24 Married, Palmer Thompson to Sarah Fraley.

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- July 9 Married, Julius Reed to Susan Vancleve, of Princeton.
 Aug. 20 Buried, Margaret, infant daughter of Henry John & Mrs. Isabella Kemble, of the Island of Jamaica.
 Aug. 22 Buried, Ann Eliza, child of Joseph A. & Eliza Bond, aged 5 years, 23 months.
 Aug. 30 Buried, William Bond.
 Sept. 16 Baptized, Mary Starr, infant child of Ratcliff & Mary Whitehead, of Philadelphia.
 Oct. 11 Married, Joseph B. Wright, of New Orleans, to Mary E. Moon.
 Oct. 21 Buried, Alice Ann, child of Eli Booth, aged 18 months.
 Dec. 28 Baptized, Mary Jane Martin, infant child of Earl English, of the U. S. Navy, & his wife Elizabeth.
 1854.
 Feb. 5 Baptized, William James, infant son of William & Ann Jane McKee.
 Feb. 15 Married, James Verner to Sarah Hammell.
 Feb. 26 Married, Doct. Alphonse Rene to Mary Bradford.
 Mar. 6 Married, Benjamin Gill to Frances Purdoe.
 Mar. 25 Buried, Margaret M. Read, daughter of John Read, the body taken to her father's vault in Christ Church burying ground, Phila., after the burial se.....
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- Mar. 28 Buried, William S., son of John Rickey, aged 18 years.
 April 12 Baptized, Sophie Martin, infant daughter of Dr. Wm. H. & Mrs. Rossell.
 April 17 Buried, Mrs. Lydia Raymond, aged 83.
 May 22 Married, Henry B. Bechtel & Mary Johnson.
 May 22 Married, Joseph Hill to Abigail Oakes.
 Convention in Newark, May 31.
 June 7 Married, Theodore Doughty Miller, of New York, to Elizabeth P. Wood.
 June 25 Baptized, James & Sarah Ann, infant children of Isaac & Jane Anna Roper.
 June 28 Married, Thomas Biddle to Mary Ann, adopted daughter of Mr. Samuel Simons.
 June 29 Buried, Joshua English, in his 60th year.
 July 3 Married, H. C. Perley, of New York City, to Harriet G., eldest daughter of Wm. Halsted, Esq.,
 July 6 Buried, Rebecca F. Cain, daughter of the late Charles Cain.
 July 15 Buried, Mr. John Read, aged 84, the body taken to his own family vault in Philadelphia, where excepting the last 12 years his life had been spent.
 Aug. 14 Buried, Joseph A., child of Joseph & Eliza J. Bond, aged 4 years.

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- Aug. 14 Buried, R. Henry Shreve, son of Capt. Ralph J. Shreve, aged 21.
 Aug. 27 Married, John McIllice to Helen Standish, of Bucks County, Penna.
 Sept. 13 Married, Joseph V. Peck, of Baltimore, to Mrs. Abecca G. G. Shull, of Bucks County, Penna.
 Sept. 20 Baptized, Joseph McCully Gasley.
 Sept. 27 Buried, Mrs. Charlotte T. Gobert, late of New York, & mother of Mrs. P. Dickinson.
 Oct. 5 Baptized, Mary Jean, infant daughter of Doct. Robert Woodruff, of Illinois, & grandchild of the late George Woodruff, Esq.
 Oct. 10 Buried, Joseph M. Gasley.
 Oct. 12 Baptized, Mary Egner, infant child of Edgar O. & Mary A. N. Murden, born Feb. 8, 1854. Sponsors, Emma C. Egner, Victoria Murden & J. H. Lars.
 Oct. 16 Baptized, John R. Dill, infant child of James & Mrs. Emily A. Murphy.
 Oct. 18 Buried, John R. D. Murphy, aged 7 months.
 Oct. 25 Married, George W. Miller to Elizabeth J. Allen.
 Dec. 2 Married, Edward Furman to Mrs. Harriet H. West.
 Dec. 12 Buried, Esther Isabella, child of Thomas & Mary Neale, aged 6 years.

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- Jan. 7 Baptized, Ilicia Wheeler, child of J. M. & Mrs. Elizabeth Davis.
 Jan. 11 Married, Charles W. Baynton, to Annie Clark.
 Mar. 4 Baptized, Anna, infant daughter of John & Catharine Clark.
 Mar. 13 Buried, Matthew Meyer.
 Mar. 15 Married, Hiram Quick to Elizabeth Williams.
 April 1 Baptized, Francis Hillyer, infant son of Samuel C. & Emily Kerr, and Henry Bell, infant son of Samuel & Mrs. Mary Parham. (2)

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- April 6 Baptized, Francis Bowes, infant son of John G. & Mrs. Theodosia Stevens.
- April 15 Baptized, William, infant son of Joseph & Abigail Hill, and Mary Elizabeth, infant daughter of Robert & Rosanna Oakes.
- June 5 Baptized, Gouverneur, infant son of Gov. Rodman M. & Matilda Sands Price, & Elizabeth Letitia, infant daughter of William & Mary Jones.
S. CLEMENTS.
- June 9 Married, Harman Booze & Jane Burns, at his house.
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